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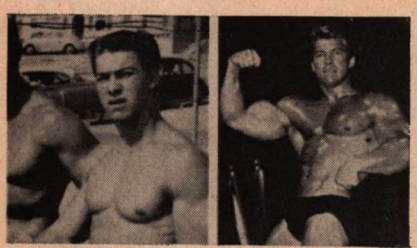

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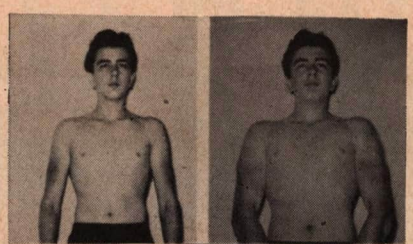

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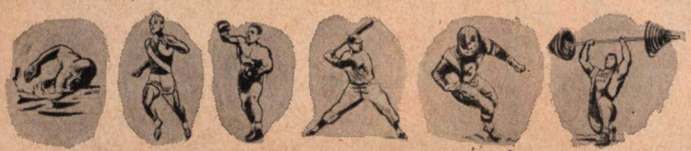

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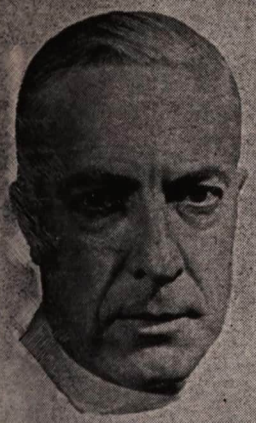

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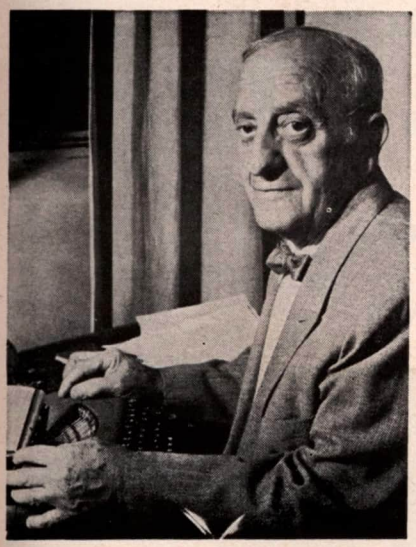

# Speaks Out!!!

# FLEISCHER

WATCHING Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali stop Cleveland Williams, it struck me that in all the history of the heavyweight division no champion, or near champion, had been injured so seriously by his statements, and hurt so grieviously by associations, as the Kentuckian had been.

Had Clay accepted being drafted into the Army, had he stayed away from the Black Muslims and attended strictly to business as a fighter, he now would be hailed as one of the most remarkable, refreshing and capable figures in the annals of boxing.

When Clay, former Olympic champion, started to make his presence felt in the professional ranks, boxing was in sore need of a saver.

Sonny Liston, who had electrified fight fans with his two fast knockouts of Floyd Patterson, lost no time in disillusioning them. His social connections, scarcely edifying before he won the title, hardly improved in tone.

His effect on the press, at times on the sullen side, failed to come anywhere near the Joe Louis pattern.

It became impressed on the well wishers of boxing that it would be a splendid thing for the game if this kid Clay from Louisville turned out to be anywhere near as good as he announced himself to be.

Boxing was in trouble on all sides. The hoods hung on in too many places. The World Boxing Association perpetrated boners beyond all understanding. Industry outbid the ring for fresh material. Many promoters turned chicken. Many once properous locales, from the boxing standpoint, became disaster areas.

Along came The Lip. The Mouth. The Tonsils. Along came a conversational kid from Kentucky, backed by some of the socially elect of Louisville, who set up a syndicate to further his career.

Along came the glib, poetry composing, good looking, pleasingly bragging Cassius Clay.

As Clay climbed the fistic ladder, he made every sport lover in the country, in the world, talk boxing.

A new image dominated the fistic picture. A new champion was crowned at Miami Beach. A new champion beat Liston a second time. A new champion began to take them on as fast as they reared their heads into the category of contenders.

Boxing aroused itself. Millions of fans all over the world came back to the game, if not corporeally then from the talking side of the fence. Happy days were here again. I don't have to go through the list of Clay-Ali victims.

"This kid is going to talk himself into a mess," said a famous onetime boxing commissioner. "He brags so much, he holds himself up, vocally, as the greatest that ever came along in the game. Folks will tire of that."

Clay did talk himself into a mess. But not from the angle which had been feared by the former official.

Before Muhammad was matched with Liston for Florida, right after his victory over Doug Jones, there were reports around New York that Clay had become a Black Muslim, follower of Malcolm X, who not so long thereafter was shot and killed at a meeting.

"Just listening, nothing serious," Clay insisted. But he kept going to meetings. Eventually The Ring Magazine was informed, from unimpeachable sources, that Clay had joined the Black Muslims.

After Malcolm X had been killed, Cassius entered into close association with Elijah Muhammad, the Black Muslims chief based in Chicago. Then came more details. They were telling him what to do, they were taking a good part of his earnings. He soon divorced his wife Sonji. The next Mrs. Clay will be from Muslim ranks.

In the course of events, with a lowering of mental standards in Selective Service, Clay was drafted. He announced that he would not accept Army service. He was a Conscientous Objector, he had folks to support, and eventually he revised his plea for exemption with the claim of status as a student preacher of the Mohammedan mosque.

The American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and similar organizations blasted Clay.

His match with Ernie Terrell, scheduled for Chicago, had to be abandoned. No U.S. locale would allow him to fight there. He had to go to Canada, to England, to Germany.

Against Williams, he came back to the U.S.A. He plans to remain in the U.S.A. New York will see him again if he can make his deal with the Garden.

Can Clay backtrack? No. Not a chance. His career is tied in irrevocably with the Black Muslims.

What a pity! What a horrible error of the Fates! If only a likeable kid had kept silent and attended to his business as a fighter.

The situation, as it hits Muhammad Ali personally, is all the more poignant for him because he has confounded his detractors. He has proved himself as a boxer, and in the wake of the knockout of Williams, is justified in laying claim to real power. This young man can hit.

Clay is quick with his hands, fast on his feet, studious as a boxer, a fighter whose counterpart cannot be found in the annals of the heavyweight division. He is unorthodox in method but terribly effective in final result.

It is conceivable that Clay is not all he appears to be in his current environment, which presents for his future effort only Terrell, who is too long getting at his big chance.

# "How I Would Have Clobbered Clay"

## By Joe Louis

### AS TOLD TO GEORGE WHITING

CASSIUS CLAY'S got lots of ability, but he is not The Greatest. He's a guy with a million dollars worth of confidence and a dimes worth of courage. I could have whipped him. In all honesty, I feel it in my bones. Clay can be clobbered, and if you'll pardon an old-timer talking, I am certain I know how.

These days, I get to the fights in most parts of the world, especially when Clay is defending my old heavyweight title. We kid around the training camps a little, and Clay makes speeches and goes into his act, telling the folks how he would have fought Joe Louis. I play along.

It don't harm nobody. Maybe helps the action, puts a few dollars on the take.

Fellows come up, asking for autographs, that kind of thing, and tell me I could have licked Clay with the Empire State Building tied to my feet. I don't say anything.

But a man gets thoughts sitting there watching Clay. I seen him fooling in the gym, and I seen nearly all his fights, right through from Willie Besmanoff, way back in Louisville, to Cleveland Williams in Houston. Sometimes Clay fights good and sometimes he pulls rhubarbs that should get his head knocked off if the other guy knew his trade like they made me learn mine.

Trouble with Clay, he thinks he knows it all. Fights with his mouth. He won't listen. Me, first thing I learned in the fight game was to keep my trap shut and my ears wide open, especially when my wise old trainer, Chappie Blackburn, was telling me things for my own good.

We did all right. Seems like I won a championship, so maybe I'm entitled to speak up a word or two of truth after all these years. And the truth in my book is I'm sure I could've put Clay away, and also know how.

Clay says he's got the fastest hands and the fastest feet of any heavyweight who ever was born. That's his opinion and he's entitled to it. The kid has speed and can surely box when he has to. There's nobody around to outbox him, and the opponent who tries is in his grave.

**Joe Louis at Houston, joining in horse play with Cassius Clay (on right) and Cleveland Williams before the fighters undergo the Texas Commission's official physical examination.**

Especially in the middle of the ring. With room to move, Clay's a champion, real dangerous. But he doesn't know a thing about fighting on the ropes, which is where he would be if he were in there with me. He's all confused, his feet in knots, and his body wide open to everything.

I didn't see Henry Cooper put Clay down in their first fight in London, but I'd like to bet Clay was coming off the ropes when he got caught with that left hook.

I certainly saw that German southpaw, Mildenberger, bang him good in a corner, and that was when Mildenberger had been battered into a hopeless, beat-up hulk in the 10th round. Clay did not appreciate that punch one bit, but if Mildenberger had known enough to send it over when he was fresh, I figure Clay would have appreciated it a whole lot less.

Sure, Clay's got fancy feet in the middle of the ring, faster even than Billy Conn or Bob Pastor, two of the quickest men who ever gave me a run-around till I caught up. But Clay wastes his footwork, stumbling around like Conn and Pastor never did from where I was looking.

There's a couple of other things about Clay. He drops his left hand when he should be protecting that pretty face he's always talking about. Doing a fool thing like that in a championship fight, he could wind up looking like a meat wagon, or maybe riding in one.

Dropping your left hand ain't healthy. It was a weakness of my own till Max Schmeling taught me the hard way in our first fight.

If I were fighting Clay, I would start licking him at least five weeks before the bell, right in the training camp . . . some place like my old stand at Pompton Lakes.

There wouldn't be too much of the fancy fixin's and show-biz routines they give you in the gymnasiums these days, but there sure would be some murder going on. I never fooled around in work-outs.

I would pay top wages for the five fastest

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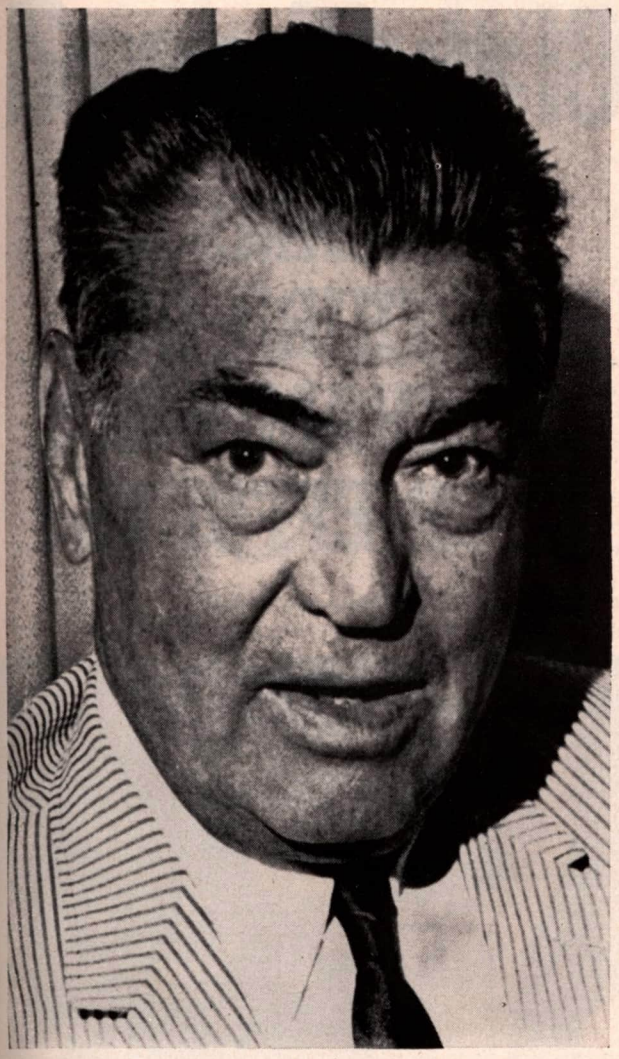
# DEMPSEY'S STARTLING NEW OPINION OF CASSIUS

## *CLAY'S EARLY KO OVER CAT PROMPTS JACK TO SHIFT TACK*



JACK DEMPSEY

By AL BUCK

NOT so long ago Jack Dempsey's opinion of the boxing skills of Cassius Clay was not in the effervescent category. In fact, Jack's estimate was in the lower case class. But the Manassa Mauler has changed, and the change is interesting and significant.

"No matter what you call him he is going to be around for a long time," said Dempsey, after viewing on film the three round knockout Muhammad Ali scored over Cleveland Williams at Houston.

In analyzing the heavyweight champion's performance, consideration was given to his poise, his speed and his newly revealed punching power. The Manassa Mauler could only conclude that Clay can fight.

This is an opinion shared by many who previously had doubted Cassius' self-proclaimed talents.

Conceding that Williams was washed up Clay showed everything. It is true that among the challengers there is nobody to test him, but as to that Dempsey remarked:

"That was true of all of us. That 'he beat nobody' has been said of every champion."

Clay has fought them all, risking his title in Toronto, London and Frankfurt. In Houston he fought Williams in his own backyard.

Clay had poise. At all times he knew what has was doing in the brightly lighted ring in the Astrodome. He was alert as always, and if any of his followers feared the outcome, he didn't.

"He is fast, both with his hands, and with his feet," Dempsey observed. "His reflexes are amazing. You might expect them in a lightweight, but not in a man of his size."

One thing that many people overlook in Clay is his size. He is a full grown heavyweight standing six feet four inches tall. He weighs 212 pounds, and is powerfully built.

"With it all he can move. You saw in the first round that he was moving from side to side, and backwards. He was feinting Williams into leading. He was making him come to him.

"In the first round he also demonstrated he had learned to set to punch. This was when he stopped moving and opened up on Williams."

Until that happened Clay was doing his dance, which he calls the "Ali Shuffle," but which is really only a bit of foot work.

"His attack carried through the second round. Here you will note Williams dropped his left after leading. It was the mistake Clay was waiting for. The right crossed over the low left to knock down Williams." Dempsey pointed out.

Jack also commented on the accuracy of the champion's punches. "That makes them more effective," he said. "He showed he can take a man out. Williams was through when the bell saved him at the end of the second round."

The third round knockout was anti-climactic and inevitable.

Still to be answered is, can Clay take it? That is a question the boxing experts still are asking. Will it ever be answered?

"He hasn't had to," observed Dempsey. "He may get caught on the ropes some night, but up to now his quick reflexes and fast feet have taken him out of danger."

"I don't intend to experiment," *(Continued on page 38)*

# Clay Showed Sock As Well As Science

## WILLIAMS KO IN THIRD ONE OF CHAMPION'S TOP EFFORTS

By NAT FLEISCHER

WITH the knockout of Cleveland Williams in the Astrodome at Houston, Texas, Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay), rid the field of challengers for the world heavyweight title of the man who had been heralded as the toughest of all the contenders.

By stopping "The Cat" in 1:08 of the third round, Clay narrowed the contestants worthy of a championship match down to Ernie Terrell, of Chicago, and Zora Folley, of Chandler, Arizona.

The former already has been signed as Clay's next opponent, with the Astrodome again the site of battle. If successful against Terrell, the champion has promised Folley that he will be next in line for a title shot.

Williams, supposedly a puncher with terrific power, failed to worry the champion. During the seven minutes and eight seconds of action, about half a dozen effective blows were landed by the challenger. The best was a left hook to the head in the second round. It tossed Clay's head backward and forced him to dance out of range.

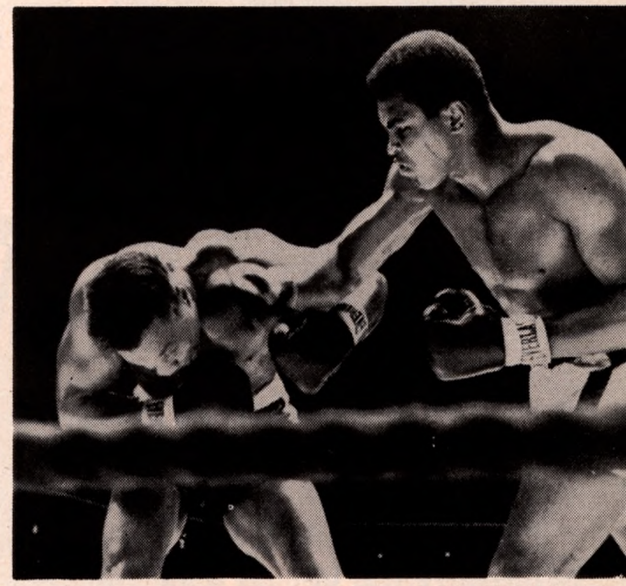
Once in that same round, in which the challenger was dropped three times, he trapped his opponent in a corner. But Clay, like a cornered animal, quickly maneuvered out of range, much to the dismay of Williams and his handlers.

It was the one big chance the Texan had to get across his reputed killer punch. But he missed the boat as Cassius weaved and ducked and slid out, to land a perfect right to the body.

Williams was both outmatched and outclassed from start to finish and Muhammad rolled up his sixth successful title defense of the year, one short of Joe Louis's record.

The two-fisted assault before an indoor record crowd of 35,460 that paid $461,780, was the most vicious seen in any of the champion's bouts since he won the crown. It should set at rest for all time doubts about his ability as a heavyweight king, a thoroughbred boxing champion.

Clay's customary caution was in evidence for only part of the opening round. Thereafter he was a fighting title defender who battered Cleve into a state of helplessness.



Cassius is snarling, and hurting the challenger. It is the second round and this right to the head leads up to the second of the three knockdowns The Cat suffered in that heat.

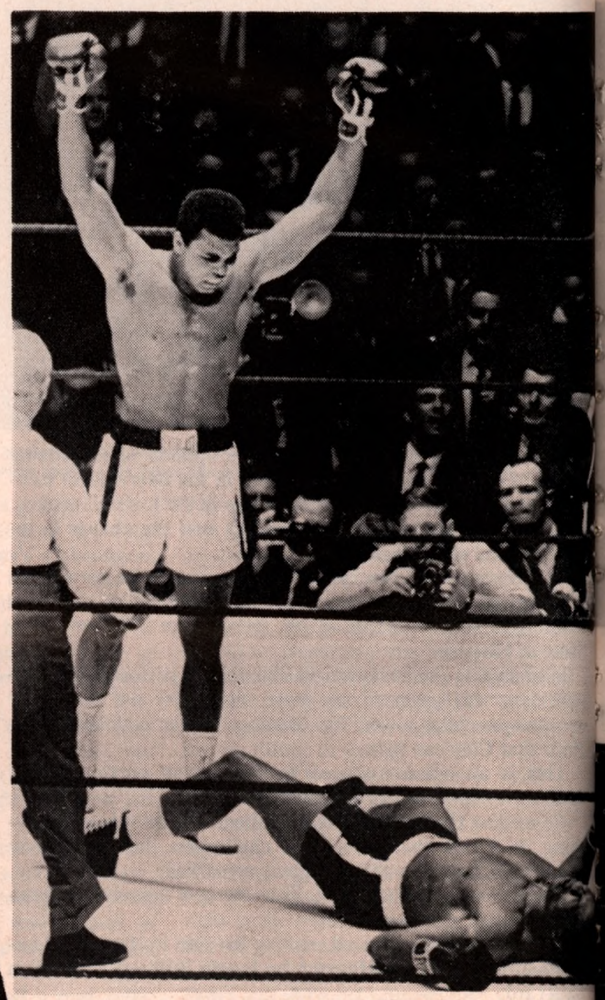
Williams' reputation as a clouting terror didn't faze Clay, who took command once the second round got under way and was never in danger thereafter. Stinging lefts and rights, often a tattoo of three or four punches landing in rapid succession without any maneuvering of his body, indicated clearly that Cassius was out to end the bout early.

So badly was Williams whipped that his backers looked on in amazement as their idol, blood spattered over his face from his deeply cut lip and nose, was wholly on the receiving end of an avalanche of thudding, straight shooting rights and deep sinking left hooks to the body. Each punch was more effective than it's predecessor.

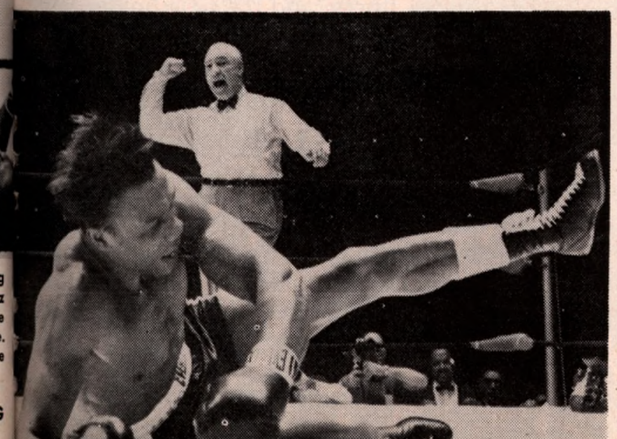
The Big Cat, weighing 210½ to 212¾ for his opponent, became an open target once Muhammad cut loose. The fast-moving champion kept Williams so busy trying to defend himself from perfect shots, that he had little opportunity to make use of the punch that had enabled him to score 51 knockouts over a stretch of 15 years.

Thus Muhammad Ali, following in the footsteps of the great Joe Louis in title defenses, has now mowed down five of his six challengers, only George Chuvalo of Toronto, lasting the limit of fifteen rounds. Cassius said he had hoped this year to equal Louis' record of seven defenses. He fell one short of the mark. His next fight is not due until February, 1967.

Rare as it is for a referee to halt a world heavyweight championship fight so early in the *(Continued on page 38)*



The camera shot to the left shows Williams back in his dressing room after the knockout by Clay. The look of pain on his phizz traces not to the beating he suffered but to a little accident. He just had been clunked hard on the noggin with a microphone. Above we find Cleve flat on his back. But he is saved by the bell ending the second round.



Williams is shown on the deck for the first time in the second round and referee Harry Kessler is picking up the count. Later Clay said, "I hit him harder than the reporters suspected."

# LeRoy Neiman

## RINGSIDE

# Clay's Success As Viewed By Leading Sports Artist

**The Ring herewith presents a feature unprecedented in its forty five year history. It publishes four striking impressions of the Clay-Williams fight as seen at ringside by a standout sports artist, whose $18,000 painting will be unveiled when the new Madison Square Garden is dedicated. LeRoy Neiman's descriptions of his drawings follow:**

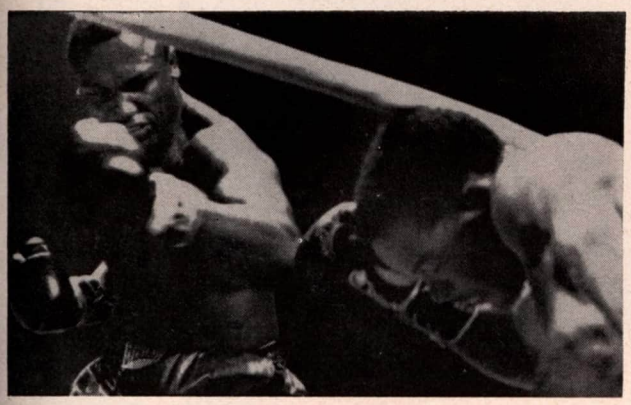
***PAGE 11*** It's all Muhammad Ali. He circles, dances, shuffles. His speed of foot and hand already dazzles his opponent. Even this early the artist knows what is going to happen. Cleve is totally ineffective.

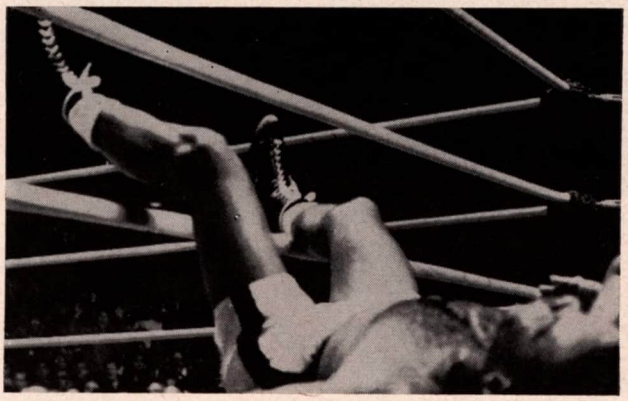
***PAGE 12*** In rounds one and two the champion attacks with an astonishing assortment of hard, vicious jabs and hooks, delivered in gorgeous combinations. To the head, to the body, then back to the head. The frustrated Cat, nose bloodied, is unable to reach his elusive antagonist, who keeps flicking lefts and rights from all angles.

***PAGE 13*** The second round forecast the end. Ali decks the Texan the first time with left and right. Another furious flurry, and the title holder, with a similar combination, drops Williams again. His lip split badly, Cleve regains his feet, only to take a crescendo of blows. Williams is stretched on his back. His cat-nap is interrupted at the count of five, by the bell. He is helped to his corner.

***PAGE 14*** They used to say "Williams is not game." He disproves this. Immediately after the bell starting the third round, a savage left hook floors him for the fourth time. He gets to his feet and Muhammad continues the demolition job. The pre-fight odds of 4 to 1 now look ridiculous. The challenger is helpless. Referee Harry Kessler does well to stop the punishment and humiliation of a man.

# FRAZIER TALKS CLAY BUT HIS TRAINER SAYS "WHOA"!





**Joe Frazier connects with a powerful left hook to knock Eddie Machen through the ropes in the first round of their Olympic Auditorium bout. Machen took the mandatory eight count and managed to survive until referee Tommy Hart halted matters in the tenth with Machen helpless on the ropes. It was only the second time Machen had suffered a knockout during his 12-year career.**

**By DON FRASER**

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—After 22-year-old Joe Frazier, Olympic champion, had stopped 34-year-old veteran Eddie Machen in the tenth round, which was only 22 seconds old when Referee Tommy Hart wisely halted the slaughter, fight fans asked, "How close is this Joe, how far away from, a fight with Cassius Clay?"

There was a disposition in some quarters to rush the Philadelphian into real trouble.

Not among the rushers is Yancey Durham, trainer, and spokesman for the syndicate which owns Frazier.

Frazier says, "I am ready right now for Clay." Yancey, wise old Yancey, smiles and counters, "Whoa! Frazier has had only thirteen fights. Even if he did stop twelve of his victims, he is at least a year away from talk about the title. Let's be logical, rational and within bounds about this."

The experts say that there are quite a few weak points which Frazier will have to repair before he talks Clay.

Joe is wide open. He has an impressive attack but he can be decked. He is inclined to get careless. Oscar Bonavena proved that.

When Machen, who started in the ring away back in 1955, was asked how he rated Frazier, he was inclined to go quite a distance in his sizeup of Joe's attack.

"I would not like to run into Frazier in a dark alley," Eddie replied.

"Frazier fights like Marciano but on defense he is not yet a Harold Johnson.

"Only Cleveland Williams, when he was good, in my draw with him in 1962, hit me harder than Frazier did.

"This boy has no defense. But the way he crowds you, keeps punching and stays on top of you, he makes up for his defensive weaknesses."

The officials barely recognized Machen's having been in the same ring with Frazier.

Lee Grossman, one of the judges, gave Joe a 14-0 shutout. George Latka, the other judge, scored it more charitably, 14-1. Referee Hart saw it 14-2.

The scoring system here gives the winner of a round from one to five points, the loser nothing. Hart said he had given Machen two points for one punch, the left hook with which he appeared to come close to winning in the eighth round. Frazier was staggered and saved himself by hanging on to Eddie's leg.

Machen really suckered Frazier with that hook. Eddie hunched forward with both hands hanging low. Machen seemed to be in trouble. But as Frazier moved in the old fox hung one on his whiskers, and taught the syndicate boy another little trick.

For Machen, it was KO No. 2 of his career. His one previous "ten and out" experience came on September 14, 1958, at Gothenburg, Sweden, when Ingemar Johansson stopped him in the first round.

When Frazier floored Machen with a left hook in the first round, it was only the second time, exclusive of the experience in Sweden, that Eddie hit the deck since Mexican heavyweight champion Manuel Ramos floored him here last June 3, in the process of taking a ten round decision over the old timer.

Both fighters criticized the refereeing. Machen insisted he should have been allowed to fight on until stopped. Frazier said Hart had helped Machen after Eddie had been draped over a lower rope in the first round. The fans had no beef. They threw coins into the ring.

"I still want to fight Clay," said Machen, displaying marked masochistic tendencies. Frazier hit him 53 times in the ninth round, 29 lefts and 24 rights.

On March 5, 1965, Machen was good enough to fight Ernie Terrell, and go the 15 with him, albeit to defeat, for the so called WBA championship. Now Machen, age 34, is headed for—what?

There was no doubt in anybody's mind who was the better fighter after the first round had got under way. "Joltin Joe" was all over Machen and soon sent him flying through the ropes with a powerful left hook. Eddie took the mandatory eight count and then the 5 to 2 favorite Frazier fought like 10-1.

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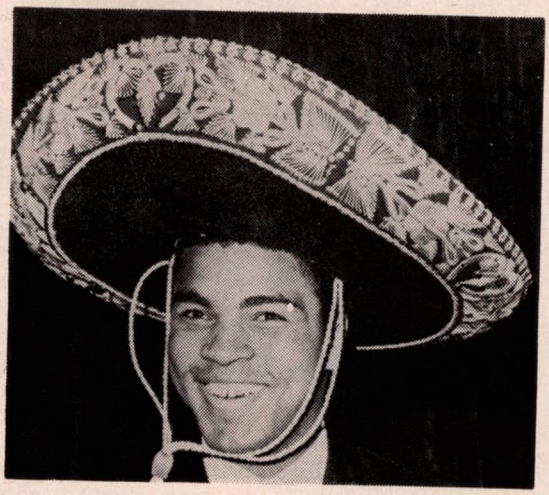
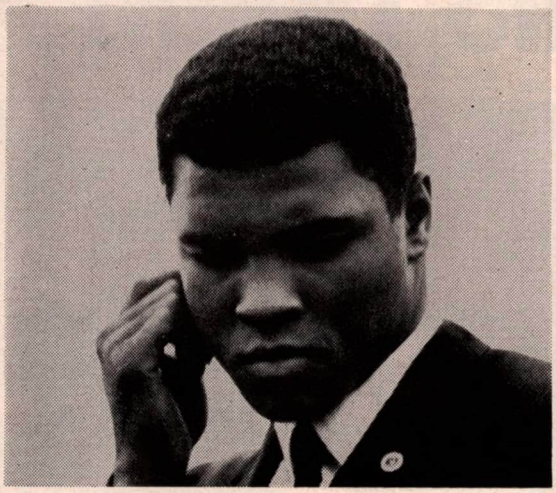
# NEW YORK SUFFERS SERIOUS SETBACK LOSING BIG FIGHT





**On the left, Cassius in a gay Mexican sombrero, presented to him by Latin fans in Houston before the Williams fight. On right, a studio portrait of Clay furnished by Stars and Stripes, service newspaper.**

**Above, dressing room horseplay. Terrell invades Muhammad's quarters in the Houston Astrodome, and is warned what to expect when they mingle in the ring. Below, Williams on his way from defeat to dressing quarters, an equally dejected wife accompanying him.**

**By DAN DANIEL**

AS THIS issue of the Ring Magazine is circulated around the world, it appears quite certain that Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali will defend the heavyweight championship against Ernie Terrell early in February in Houston.

The Houston Astrodome has pushed New York's Madison Square Garden out of the picture. Roy Hofheintz, head of the Houston ball club, which operates the 60,000 seat all weather arena in that city, has expressed a willingness to meet the rather forbidding financial terms which Harry Markson, of the Garden, had to refuse as offering virtually no margin of profit for his organization.

Clay's negotiations with Markson, and his dicker with Houston, have been conducted for him by the Black Muslims, through Herbert Muhammad, son of Elijah, chief of the Muslims based in Chicago. Herbert now is the champion's official manager.

Here is what Markson offered to Clay: 1. A guarantee of $200,000; 2. The alternative of 50 percent of the live gate; 3. 50 percent of the receipts for ancillary rights, which take in revenues from closed circuit television, movies and radio.

According to Markson, who confessed that he was heart sick over failure to clinch the fight for the Garden, the Clay interest demanded $250,000 as a guarantee, plus 52½% percent of the take for ancillary rights.

Clay's manager said that he would have accepted 50 percent of the ancillary rights but for the fact that the state of New York collects a five percent tax on such revenues. No such impost exists in Texas, or, for that matter, any other state.

Markson told the Clay side that the Garden would offer

**Muhammad Ali makes a public announcement after the fight. He spots Terrell in the crowd and tells him to get ready for a beating in their projected battle. Even Clay's most avowed critics grant that if it weren't for his Muslim contacts he would be on his way to ring immortality.**

$500,000 if it could run the whole show, TV and all, with Main Bout, Inc. out of the picture. This deal Clay could not accept.

"The way the Clay side set up its demands, the Garden would have had to gamble on seven and a half percent of the ancillary rights and a sellout with $100 tops and the house scaled to bring in from $650,000 to $700,000.

"The fight would pack the Garden under normal conditions of weather. But suppose we ran into a snow storm?

"The conditions demanded by the Clay side were deemed absolutely impossible by us."

When Markson was asked if the Garden would have had an escape clause in the event the champion were forced to accept Army service, or a much more unpleasant alternative, he allowed the question to slide right out of the discussion.

It was evident that Markson did not want to become involved in the draft hassle into which Muhammad Ali plunged when he announced determination not to go into service on several grounds, chief of which was his claim to status as a Mohammedan missionary.

Houston has accepted a financial arrangement which calls for 20 percent of the live gate and 17½ percent of the ancillary revenues for Terrell, and 22½ percent of the ancillary money to Main Bout, Inc., which concerns itself with closed circuit TV.

The Black Muslim deal offered to Markson called for a closed circuit theatre TV blackout only in the city of New York. The Garden demanded a 50 mile radius blackout.

For his three round affair with Cleveland Williams in Houston, Clay got $222,000 from the live gate, with ancillary revenues yet to be accounted for.

In weighing the possible dangers of yielding to the Clay demands, the Garden was forced to consider the possible effects of a fresh brouhaha over the champion's refusal to accept Army draft.

In Houston, Clay was hooted when he entered the ring, but after he had stopped Williams, the title holder got an ovation. There are grounds on which to consider Houston safe territory for a Clay-Terrell fight. There were no American Legion—Veterans of Foreign Wars flareups in Houston.

However, the Garden would have had to gamble on popular reaction to a service-refusing Clay in New York.

The Department of Justice decision on Clay's exemption plea was sent some time ago to the Kentucky Appeals Board. If the action is against Cassius he has another chance to appeal, and continue to stave off final action.

That Clay will be permitted to fight Terrell even if Selective Service rules against him appears to be quite certain. All that the Muslims would have to do would be to show a signed contract for their man's appearance against Terrell.

In the meantime, Markson and Madison Square Garden are confronted with a serious situation in so far as world heavyweight championship promotion plans are concerned.

High over Penn Station in New York, a new Garden towers. It may be finished in a year. It will have 25,00 seats for a fight.

The new coliseum represents *(Continued on page 42)*

# "If You Want Champ Cokes You'll Pay," Says Manager

## *LEAN DAYS ARE BEHIND BOXER RECOGNIZED BY RING AS WELTER KING*

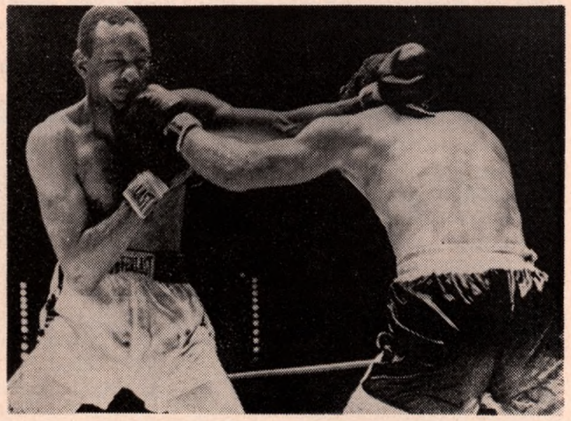
**By NAT FLEISCHER**

DALLAS, TEX.—Curtis Cokes, rangy, lithe-limbed Texas boy, clinched his right to the world welterweight crown left vacant when Emile Griffith became middleweight king, by gaining the unanimous decision over Jean Josselin, of France, at the end of 15 rounds in the Municipal Auditorium. Cokes, the most popular boxer in the Lone Star State, gained the acclaim of 5,800 onlookers who provided a gate of $46,200 in the resumption of big time boxing in Texas.

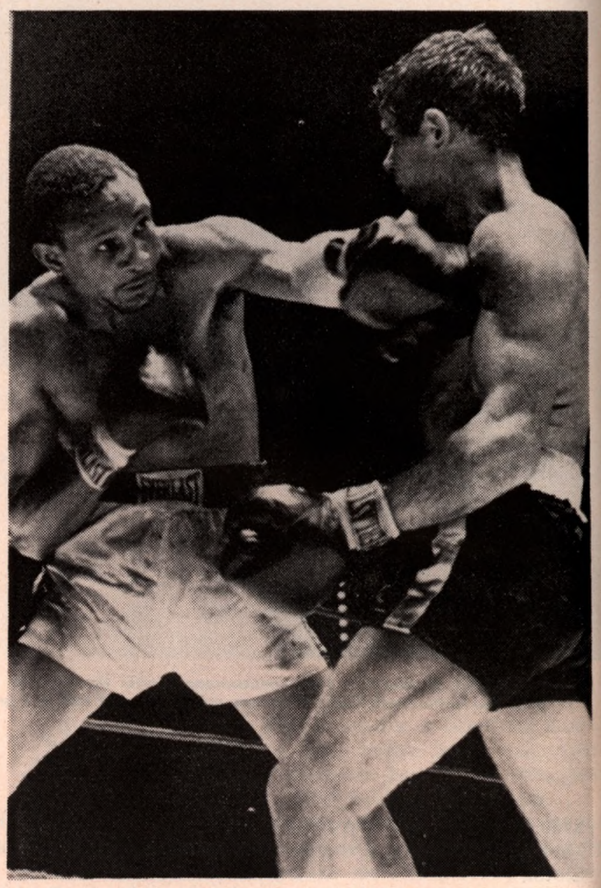
There was no question about the winner. Although the voting indicated a one-sided affair, it was far from that. The ever-willing aggressive little Frenchman lost a number of rounds by only a shade. Although hit frequently with uppercuts, left hooks and jabs that jarred his head, Jean came bounding back. He tossed in many punches in an effort to offset the advantage Cokes carried into the ring with height, long reach and effective hitting power.

Josselin suffered an injury to his left hand in the sixth round, a damaged nose from which the blood flowed from the ninth round through the fifteenth, and a cut in the corner of his right eye. Despite these handicaps, he fought like a tiger right down to the end.

There were no knockdowns, but in several rounds Cokes' uppercuts staggered his opponent. Jean fought with a marked



Cokes (left) takes a hard jab to the face by Josselin during the sixth round of the title bout at Dallas.



Cokes sends a hard left to the head of the challenger from France in the thirteenth round of the hardfought contest.

physical disadvantage, the extra height and reach of his opponent necessitating a lunging-in attack which left him open for heavy body punishment.

On a ten points must basis, referee Dickie Cole made it 149 to 136. Judge Morris Fair scored it 148 to 138. Judge Nat Fleischer saw it 147 to 140.

Despite his defeat Josselin should be in demand in the USA for some time to come. He is a courageous, entertaining fighter. When hurt he battles all the harder. Too bad he is so handicapped in reach.

No sooner was the fight over, than calls were received for Cokes' services. Teddy Brenner of Madison Square Garden and Chris Dundee of the Miami Beach Auditorium expressed desires to get Cokes' first world title defense.

With his victory over Josselin, Cokes has been accepted universally as king of his division, only California dissenting.

Dundee offered $30,000 for a return bout with Luis Rodriguez. Brenner hopes to pit Cokes against Ortiz if the latter decides to go into the higher division.

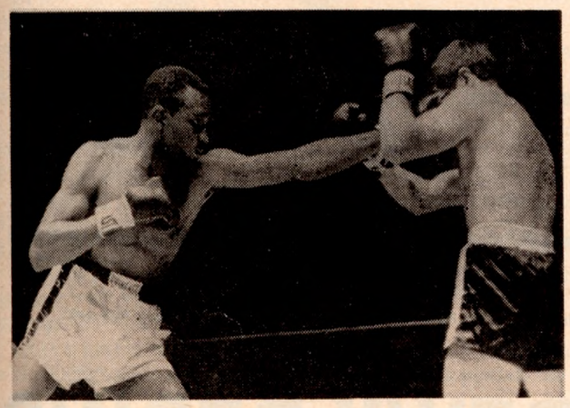
Doug Lord, speaking for the new title holder, declared he would agree to any match in which the bid for his boy's services is a financially proper one. Lord said:

"If Ortiz wants to fight for the welter title he can have the fight in Dallas, New York or Puerto Rico, provided my terms are met. Cokes has been struggling for a long time with little income from his fights. Now that he is on top, we would like to get some of the big money other champions have been receiving. We are in no hurry to cash in on Cokes' victory, but I assure you he'll be a fighting champion."

The battle was a pleasing one, with Cokes the harder hitter and the Frenchman the aggressor. Unfortunately for Josselin, every time he pressed forward, Cokes was able to stab his left into Jean's face or body. That didn't stop the little Frenchman from continuously coming forward.

The third, fifth and thirteenth rounds found Josselin at his best. He carried the fight to Cokes, forced him on the defensive and landed frequent shots to body and head.

In the fifth, which I judged an even round, Cokes caught Jean with a hot right to the jaw that was followed with several combination blows that momentarily put the Frenchman off balance and almost dropped him.



A long left by Cokes finds its mark in the first round. Curtis' superior reach played a large part in his triumph.

Until the seventh, the fight was fairly even. Then came a splurge by Cokes, who carried off the next four rounds by slight margins.

Josselin's handlers sent him out in the twelfth with instructions to cut loose. He swarmed over Cokes, who however, met the attack punch for punch for an even round.

With that encouragement, the Frenchman continued his aggressiveness in the thirteenth and took that round by a good margin. It was by far his best performance of the evening.

He scored with several good shots to Cokes' head and landed a perfect right to the body which the Texan admitted was the best blow delivered by the European boxer.

The successful foray seemed to affect Jean's cautioness and he let himself open to a right cross and a powerful left hook that stopped his rush and forced him into a clinch. On the break, he quickly recovered and responded with a counter-attack, to hold on to his early lead. The steady flow of blood from his nose handicapped Jean in that round.

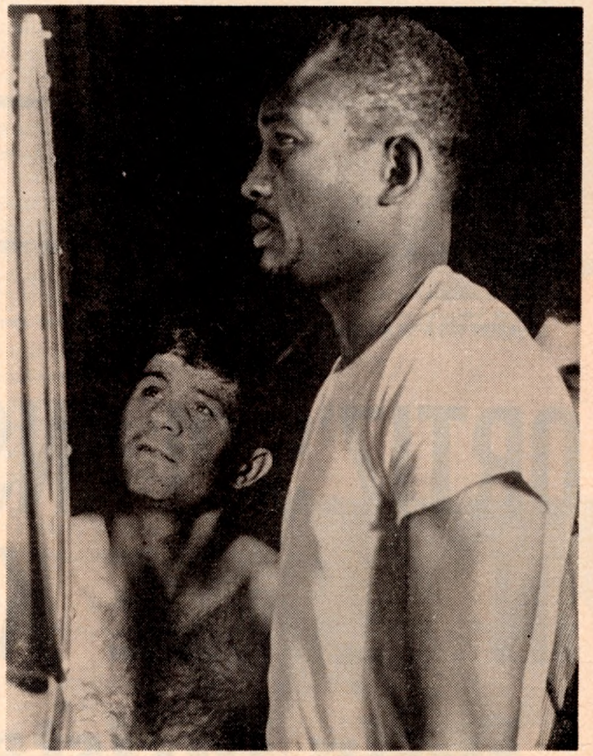
Cokes made certain the title would remain in this country by cutting loose in the last three sessions. Despite Josselin's wounds and his gory appearance, he never let up in his efforts. He protested, as did his corner aides, that Referee Cole was interfering with his style of fighting by breaking the contestants too soon.

After the decision was rendered, George Kanter, U.S. representative of the Frenchman, complained to the press. He said:

"I called the referee's attention to what I thought was handicapping my boy. Jean is a frail lad, yet Cole was pulling him by the arm every time the boys clinched. He wouldn't let Jean fight the style for which he had been prepared. I'm sure if Cole had not interfered so much, Josselin would have made a far better showing."

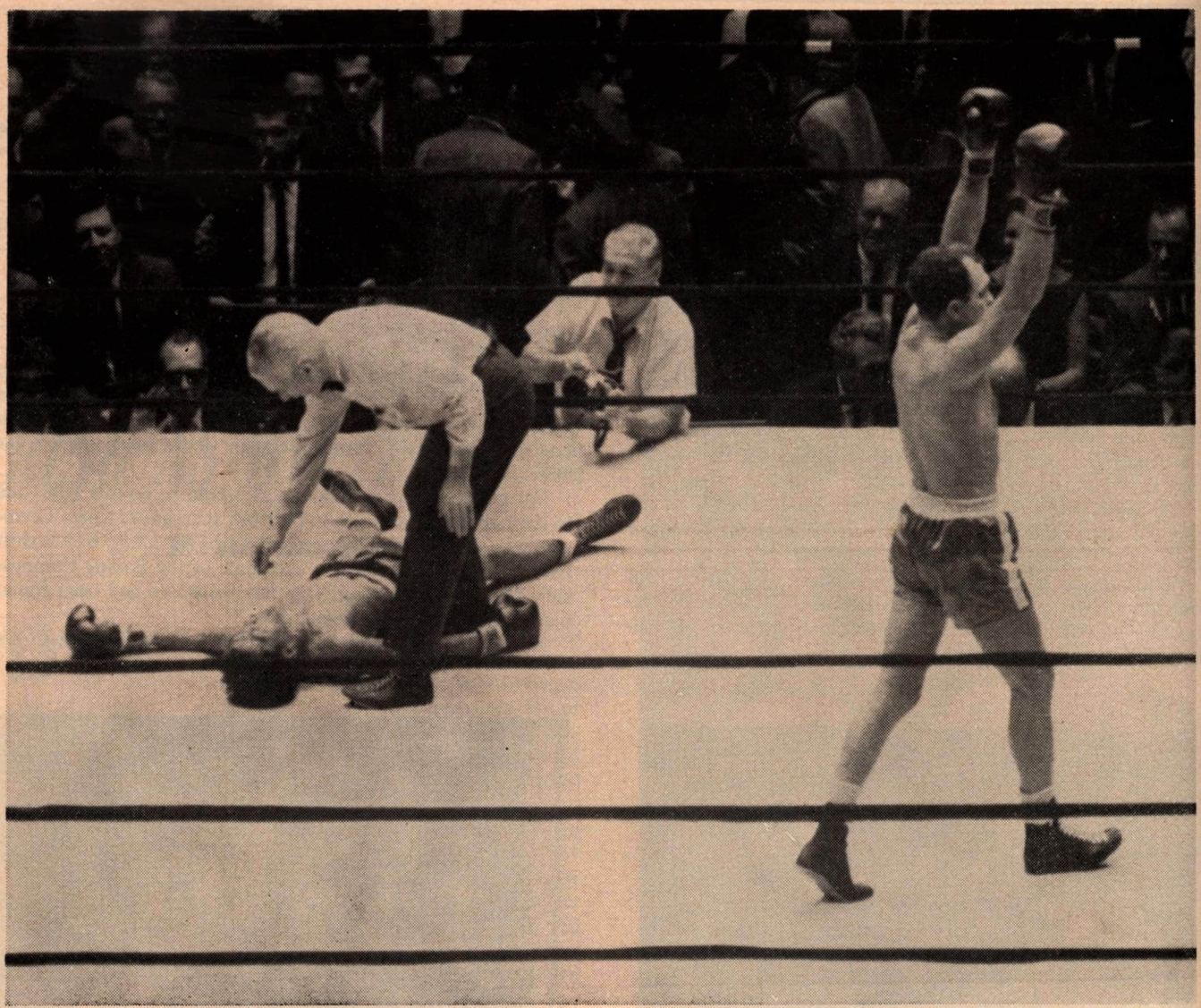
For a time it appeared that there would be no title fight, due to the failure of the scales to perform accurately. Norm Levinson, who did a splendid job in promoting the affair, had to shift from his Festival Theatre to the clinic of the Boxing Commission doctor, for the weigh-in after two scales had been found inaccurate in the first ceremonies.

After a delay of more than two hours, during which Cokes spent most of that time in a steam bath reducing several pounds, he weighed 145¾, and Josselin, 146¾.



Cokes studies scale as Josselin watches during pre-fight weigh-in. Two sets of scales were used. Both were not operating correctly. The boxers were taken to a doctor's office where another weigh-in was held.

There was an additional headache for the promoter when a radio station announced that the fight had been called off. That hurt the gate considerably.



Lightweight king Carlos Ortiz raises arms in victory as referee Jimmy Devlin reaches for Flash Elorde's mouthpiece after counting him out.

# ORTIZ'S PLANS BEWILDERING IN ELORDE KO AFTERMATH

## *Daly Insists Lightweight Champion Has No Desire To Leave His Class*

## By NAT LOUBET

CARLOS ORTIZ, lightweight champion of the world, and his manager, Bill Daly, are a couple of pros who know their jobs thoroughly and play their roles to perfection.

Carlos disposes of challengers in a workman-like manner. Daly is adroit in his oral manipulations. They achieve the maximum in recompense.

After Ortiz had polished off Gabriel (Flash) Elorde in Madison Square Garden before a disappointing crowd of 9,120 and a gate of $47,957, both Ortiz and Daly, sharing a reported take of $50,000, made an assortment of comments on their plans. They indicated that Ortiz was willing to take on anyone, anywhere, regardless of size, as long as the long green was offered in suitable amounts.

My talk with Daly was at variance with many of the printed reports. Said Bill: "Carlos is not interested in fighting Curtis Cokes for the welterweight title at this time. The only man outside of his class Carlos would like to fight is Emile Griffith, middleweight champ, whom Carlos feels he can defeat.

"We intend to work our way through lightweights before we worry about other classes."

The scheduled January 29 fight in Mexico City, a return meeting with Sugar Ramos, is not likely to come off. Ortiz, who won over Ramos when referee Billy Conn halted the fight in the fifth round because of Ramos' cut eye, was forced to agree to a return match in order to get clearance to leave Mexico.

That Ortiz will fight Ramos, if the price is right, is possible. Madison Square Garden is a likely site. But Daly is in communication with those behind Nicolino Loche, number one lightweight contender from Argentina, with the probability that a match will be arranged for Buenos Aires. Daly is also angling for a match with the number two challenger, Carlos (Teo) Cruz—if he continues his winning ways. As a matter of fact Daly doesn't bar any of the world's top lightweights "if the price is right"!

In forecasting Ortiz's future, his past produces some disturbing thoughts. There are those who point to the champ's shrinking abilities and note a natural falling off in sharpness and agility. There are those who note his disturbing habit of enjoying the more joyous things of life, with emphasis on Lucullan feasts, between fights. He likes Acapulco.

It took Ortiz fourteen rounds before he had sufficiently softened up an aging Elorde to knock him out. It looked to many at ringside that Carlos was deliberately punishing Elorde, and delaying putting him out of his misery.

"Negative," says manager Daly. "Carlos just wasn't taking any chances. Remember, it's easy for a guy to start fast and end up slow. Carlos has great respect for Elorde as a man and a fighter and he had no intent to do more damage than was necessary."

All of which adds up to Carlos not being in shape to take the gamble of opening up early with his combinations. If he failed to put Elorde away quickly he would be in danger of running out of gas.

Ortiz is having increasing difficulty with making the weight and this is more manifest when his fights are close together and his training periods must be condensed.

In the early rounds, those at ringside and television viewers who witnessed the contest the following night, waited expectantly for Elorde to do something with his vaunted right. But when it became evident that all the Philippine southpaw had to offer was a fencer's stance and a stuttering right foot that telegraphed a threatless right jab, the fans became increasingly restless at Ortiz's lack of zest.

When Ortiz finally landed a left hook flush on Elorde's chin, after a flurry of lefts and rights, to dump his challenger motionless on his back to be counted out at 2 minutes and 1 second of the fourteenth round, the knockout was an anti-climax.

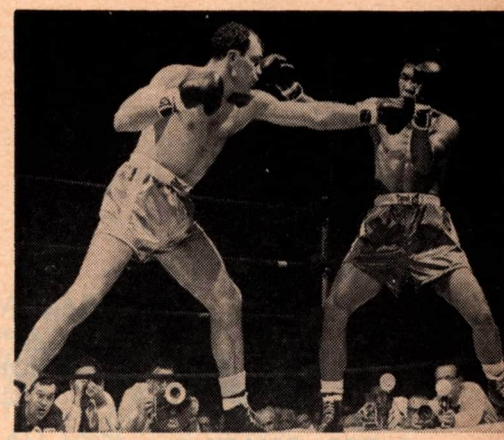
At first the crowd breathed a sigh of relief that it was all over. Quickly a wave of worry took the place of the excitement. It took several minutes for Elorde to regain consciousness.

After the first four rounds there was never any doubt about the outcome. If there was any moment of thrill it came when Elorde was belted off his feet for the first time in his career of 96 fights, and his first experience of being counted out.

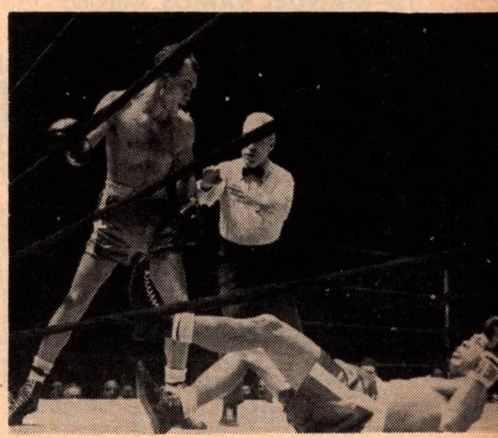
A slow-moving Elorde, with pawing jab, and Ortiz with occasional flurries, sufficient to win all but one of the rounds on my score sheet, were all there was to the fight until the fourteenth round. Then for the first time, the champion mounted a sustained attack.

The referee, Jimmy Devlin, scored the bout eleven rounds to two up to the fourteenth. Judge Joe Armstrong gave Ortiz every round, and Judge Artie Aidala gave Elorde only the third round.

Those close to Elorde indicate that he is considering retirement from the ring. His publicized age, 31, one year older than Ortiz, was anything but indicative of his real age. He was old, he had gone to the well once too often, had been on the receiving end of too many punches. When he was finally stopped he collapsed like an ancient opera hat.



**Here we see Ortiz landing a sharp left to the junior lightweight champion's mouth during the early going. Carlos showed a lack of zest until the latter portion of the contest.**



**The Filipino Flash hits the canvas for the first time in his career as he is knocked out by Ortiz, the Puerto Rican-born New Yorker, in the fourteenth session.**

**A smiling Ortiz attempts to comfort a dejected Elorde after the latter was revived and pronounced okay. There were a few anxious moments as the Flash lay prone in the ring.**

# WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

**RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 20, 1966**

**HEAVYWEIGHTS**
**(over 175 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**CASSIUS CLAY,** Louisville, Ky.
1–**ERNIE TERRELL,** Chicago, Ill.
2–**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
3–**THAD SPENCER,** Portland, Ore.
4–**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Great Neck, L.I.
5–**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
6–**JOE FRAZIER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
7–**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
8–**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada
9–**JOHNNY PERSOL,** Brooklyn, N.Y.
10–**MANUEL RAMOS,** Mexico

**LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS**
**(not over 175 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**JOSE TORRES,** Puerto Rico
1–**ROGER ROUSE,** Anaconda, Mont.
2–**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
3–**PIERO DEL PAPA,** Italy
4–**ANDRES SELPA,** Argentina
5–**DON FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
6–**BOB DUNLOP,** Australia
7–**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
8–**BOBO OLSON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
9–**GIOVANNI BIANCARDI,** Italy
10–**PAUL ROUX,** France

**MIDDLEWEIGHTS**
**(not over 160 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N.Y.
1–**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
2–**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
3–**NINO BENVENUTI,** Italy
4–**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
5–**KI SOO KIM,** Korea
6–**FERD HERNANDEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
7–**JOSE GONZALEZ,** Puerto Rico
8–**JOEY ARCHER,** New York, N.Y.
9–**STAN HARRINGTON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
10–**JOHNNY PRITCHETT,** England

**WELTERWEIGHTS**
**(not over 147 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas
1–**JEAN JOSSELIN,** France
2–**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami Beach, Fla.
3–**WILLIE LUDICK,** South Africa
4–**CONNY RUDHOF,** Germany
5–**GYPSY JOE HARRIS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6–**ERNIE LOPEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
7–**FRANCOIS PAVILLA,** France
8–**CHARLIE SHIPES,** Oakland, Cal.
9–**LEROY ROBERTS,** Norristown, Pa.
10–**TED WHITFIELD,** Amherst, Mass.

**JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS**
**(not over 140 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**SANDRO LOPOPOLO,** Italy
1–**PAUL FUJII,** Honolulu, Hawaii
2–**WILLI QUATUOR,** Germany
3–**DANIEL GUANIN,** Ecuador
4–**EUGENIO ESPINOZA,** Ecuador
5–**JUAN SOMBRITA,** Spain
6–**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
7–**MARCEL CERDAN,** France
8–**LENNOX BECKLES,** Guyana
9–**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Cal.
10–**HERBIE LEE,** Washington, D.C.

## CURTIS COKES FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

IN CONNECTION with our revised ratings, Curtis Cokes, of Dallas, new welterweight champion of the world, is the Fighter of the Month.

Cokes, who takes the titular place of Emile Griffith, who has chosen to be the No. 1 middleweight, got only feeble opposition for Fighter of the Month from lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz, who scored a shut out over Flash Elorde in stopping the Filipino in the fourteenth round.

Cokes achieved undebatable promotion to the world championship when he outpointed Jean Josselin, of France, in their fifteen round contest at Dallas.

The Ring ratings, now recognized the world over as the official guides, show interesting changes among the heavyweights.

Here is how they now are ranked behind world champion Cassius Clay.

1, Ernie Terrell; 2, Zora Folley; 3, Thad Spencer; 4, Floyd Patterson; 5, Karl Mildenberger; 6, Joe Frazier; 7, Oscar Bonavena; 8, George Chuvalo; 9, Johnny Persol; 10. Manuel Ramos.

Frazier and Ramos are newcomers to the Top Ten, replacing Cleveland Williams, who is reported to have retired after the third round KO by Clay, and Amos Lincoln, who made so sorry a showing against Persol. Frazier has won 13 in a row.

Frazier moves in on the strength of his knockout over Eddie Machen. Ramos has won eight straight this year, with seven knockouts. He, too, beat Machen.

**LIGHTWEIGHTS**
**(not over 135 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N.Y.
1–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
2–**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ,** Dominican Rep.
3–**MAURICE CULLEN,** England
4–**BORGE KROGH,** Denmark
5–**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
6–**ANGEL ROBINSON GARCIA,** Cuba
7–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** Puerto Rico
8–**GEORGE FOSTER,** Cincinnati, Ohio
9–**SUGAR RAMOS,** Mexico
10–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria

**JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS**
**(not over 130 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**GABRIEL (FLASH) ELORDE,** Philippines
1–**JOSE LEGRA,** Spain
2–**PEDRO GOMEZ,** Venezuela
3–**JOHNNY FAMECHON,** Australia
4–**ANTONIO AMAYA,** Panama
5–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
6–**KANG SUH IL,** Korea
7–**RAY ECHAVARRIA,** San Jose, Cal.
8–**JEAN DE KEERS,** Belgium
9–**RENE BARRIENTOS,** Philippines
10–**KID TANO,** Spain

**FEATHERWEIGHTS**
**(not over 126 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**VICENTE SALDIVAR,** Mexico
1–**CARLOS CANETE,** Argentina
2–**RAUL ROJAS,** San Pedro, Calif.
3–**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
4–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
5–**FREDDY RENGIFO,** Venezuela
6–**RICHARD SUE,** Portland, Ore.
7–**HIROSHI KOBAYASHI,** Japan
8–**BOBBY VALDEZ,** San Diego, Cal.
9–**ALEX BENITEZ,** San Jose, Cal.
10–**MARIO DIAZ,** Mexico

Don Fullmer, who beat Bobo Olson, enters the light heavyweight class with a No. 5 rating, as against his now abandoned No. 4 among the middleweights.

The welterweight ranking honors Josselin as the No. 1 contender. Willie Ludick, who has challenged Cokes, now may be found in the No. 3 niche. Gypsy Joe Harris, of Philadelphia, now is rated No. 5.

The No. 9 welter, a new entry in the ratings, is LeRoy Roberts, who recently returned from service with the Army in Viet Nam.

Eder Jofre, once one of the great little fighters in the world ranking, is missing from the bantamweight class. Kamara Diop, of France, moves into his place as No. 10.

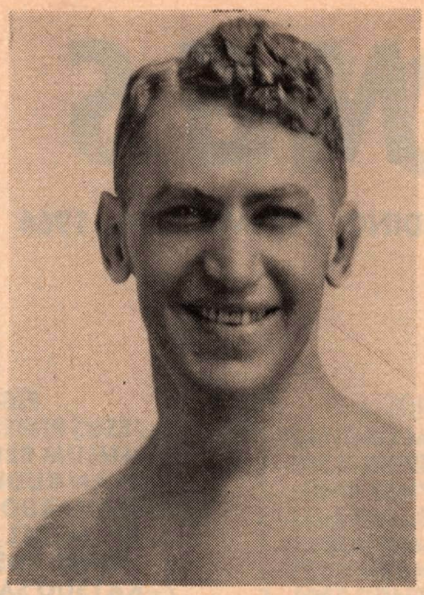
**BANTAMWEIGHTS**
**(not over 118 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**FIGHTING HARADA,** Japan
1–**JESUS PIMENTAL,** Los Angeles, Cal.
2–**MIMUM BEN ALI,** Spain
3–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England
4–**BERNARDO CARABALLO,** Colombia
5–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
6–**LIONEL ROSE,** Australia
7–**KATSUO SAITO,** Japan
8–**VALDOMIRO PINTO,** Brazil
9–**YOSHIO NAKANE,** Japan
10–**KAMARA DIOP,** France

**FLYWEIGHTS**
**(not over 112 pounds)**
**WORLD CHAMPION**
**WALTER McGOWAN,** Scotland
1–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
2–**KATSUTOSHI TAKAYAMA,** Japan
3–**CHARTCHAI CHOINOI,** Thailand
4–**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy
5–**KIYOSHI TANABE,** Japan
6–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
7–**PUNTIP KEOSURIYA,** Thailand
8–**EFREN TORRES,** Mexico
9–**ROCKY GATTELLARI,** Australia
10–**RENE LIBEER,** France

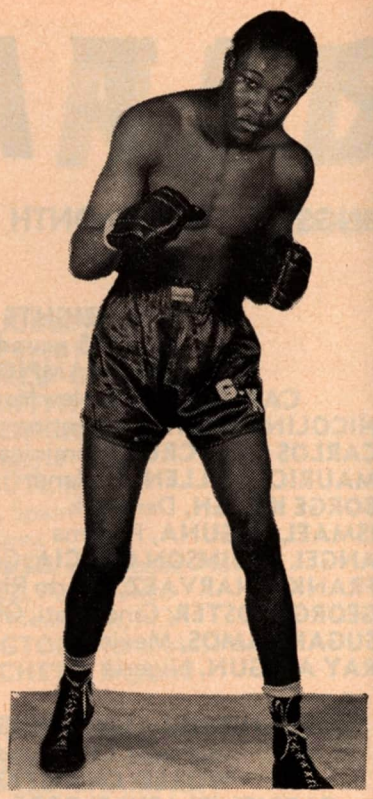
**PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH**

| NAMES | Pro Debut | Total Bouts | Won | Lost | Draws | KO's |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **HEAVYWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Pedro Agosto** Puerto Rico | 2/66 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| **LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Joe Roman** New York, N.Y. | 6/66 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| **MIDDLEWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Roger Watkins** New Orleans | 5/66 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| **WELTERWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Hedgeman Lewis** Detroit, Mich. | 5/66 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| **LIGHTWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Renaldo Victoria** Pittsfield, Mass. | 7/66 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| **FEATHERWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Al White** England | 10/65 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| **BANTAMWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Sean McCafferty** Ireland | 1/66 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| **FLYWEIGHT** | | | | | | |
| **Jose Jimenez** Dominican Rep. | 4/66 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

ARCHIE MOORE



BATTLING LEVINSKY



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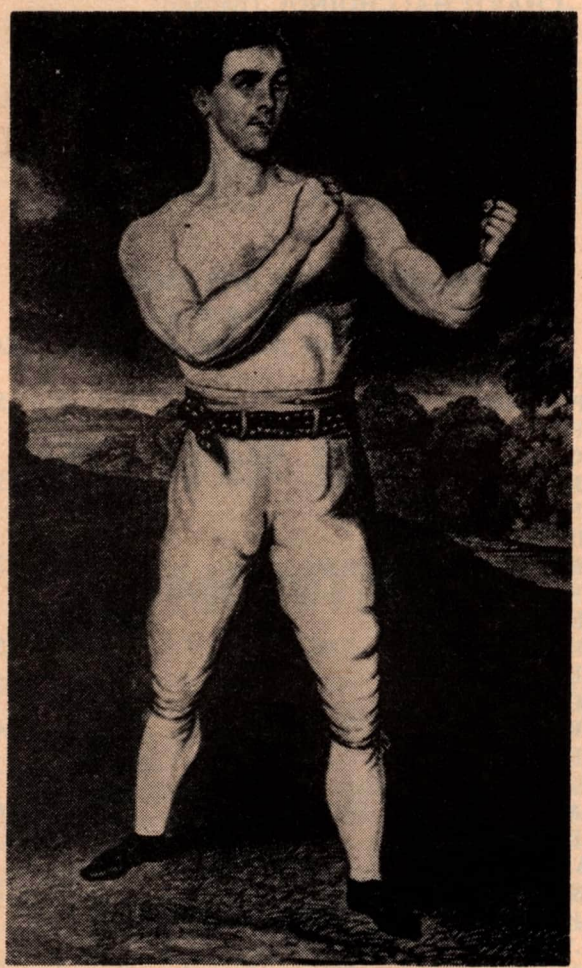


JAMES (DEAF) BURKE

# ELECT MOORE, GAVILAN, BURKE, LEVINSKY TO HALL OF FAME

By JERSEY JONES

WITH the passing of each year, Boxing's Hall of Fame, housed in the offices of The Ring, continues to get bigger and better.

The 1966 voting for new members set a new "high" for total ballots cast and number of candidates listed in both "Moderns" and "Old-Timers" categories.

No less than 83 entries received mentions in various degrees on the record 294 ballots sent in on the "Moderns." The previous high of 208 was set in 1965.

Voting for the "Old-Timers" also produced some interesting figures. On the tally of ballots submitted by the special Committee of Twenty, 79 former ringsters were rememberd.

The winners were "Moderns" Kid Gavilan and Archie

# BOXING'S HALL OF FAME

(Inaugurated 1954)

# The Immortal 91

## Elected by Modern Writers and Broadcasters

1954 Jack Dempsey
1954 Joe Louis
1954 Henry Armstrong
1955 Benny Leonard
1955 Gene Tunney
1955 Harry Greb
1955 Mickey Walker
1956 Tony Canzoneri
1956 Jimmy McLarnin
1956 Barney Ross
1956 Tommy Loughran
1957 Johnny Dundee
1958 Tony Zale
1959 Kid Chocolate
1959 Rocky Marciano
1960 Jack Britton
1961 Lew Tendler
1962 Billy Petrolle
1962 Marcel Cerdan
1963 Willie Pep
1964 Lou Ambers
1964 Jim Braddock
1965 Billy Conn
1966 Archie Moore
1966 Kid Gavilan

## Elected by Old-Timers Committee

1954 John L. Sullivan
1954 Jack McAuliffe
1954 Young Griffo
1954 Nonpareil Jack Dempsey
1954 James J. Corbett
1954 Bob Fitzsimmons
1954 Joe Gans
1954 Jack Johnson
1954 Stanley Ketchel
1954 James J. Jeffries
1955 Terry McGovern
1955 Joe Walcott
1955 Abe Attell
1955 Sam Langford
1956 George Dixon
1956 Jem Driscoll
1957 Kid McCoy
1957 Charley Mitchell
1957 Battling Nelson
1957 Packey McFarland
1957 Les Darcy
1958 Ad Wolgast
1958 Mike Gibbons
1958 Tommy Ryan
1959 Tom Sharkey
1959 Jack Dillon
1959 George Kid Lavigne
1959 Jimmy Wilde
1959 Pete Herman
1960 Joe Choynski
1960 Freddie Welsh
1960 Johnny Kilbane
1960 Tommy Burns
1961 Jack Root
1961 Pancho Villa
1962 Willie Ritchie
1963 Tom Gibbons
1964 Georges Carpentier
1964 Ted (Kid) Lewis
1965 Johnny Coulon
1965 Young Corbett II (Billy Rothwell)
1965 Owen Moran
1966 Battling Levinsky

## Pioneer Group—Elected by Directors

1954 James Figg
1954 Jack Broughton
1954 Tom Cribb
1954 Tom Hyer
1954 Daniel Mendoza
1954 Tom Sayers
1954 Gentleman John Jackson
1954 John C. Heenan
1954 Arthur Chambers
1954 John Morrissey
1954 Jem Mace
1955 William (Bendigo) Thompson
1956 Bill Richmond
1957 Peter Jackson
1958 Tom Molyneaux
1959 John Gully
1960 Dan Donnelly
1961 Tom Spring
1962 Ned Price
1963 Jem Ward
1964 Sam Collyer
1965 Jake Kilrain
1966 James (Deaf) Burke

Moore; Battling Levinsky was top man among the "Old-Timers," and the "Pioneer," selected by the Board of Directors, was James (Deaf) Burke.

With this quartet added, membership in the Hall has reached 91.

Rules governing the elections of "Moderns" stipulate that eligibles have had to see active service during the previous 35 years (in this case since 1931) and in retirement for the last two. The balloting is on a world-wide basis, with sports editors, boxing writers and radio and television sportscasters permitted to name ten choices each. For election, a candidate has to be listed on 75 percent of the ballots; in this instance 221 of the 294. Archie Moore, with 232, was a comfortable first choice, Kid Gavilan finishing second with 226. Other strong contenders were Max Baer (216), Max Schmeling (209), Carmen Basilio (206), Rocky Graziano (204), Ezzard Charles (199), Gene Fullmer (197), Sandy Saddler (182), Fidel LaBarba (180), Joey Maxim (178), Gus Lesnevich (175), Jack Sharkey (172), Beau Jack (169) and Ace Hudkins (166).

With so many entries appearing on the ballots, it presages continued lively competition among the "Moderns" for several years to come.

Voting for the "Old-Timers" also is on an international basis, but limited to a Special Committee of Twenty, veteran authorities whose associations with boxing trace back a half-century or so. They, too, were allowed to nominate ten candidates each from fighters whose ring careers ended by or before 1931, the year the "Moderns" became eligible. Again, a successful entry's name had to appear on 75 percent of the ballots, or fifteen of the twenty. Battling Levinsky was a clear winner with 17, followed by Jeff Smith (13), Frankie Burns (12), Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and the ill-fated Luther McCarty (11 apiece) and Joe Jeannette (10). Other high vote-getters among the "Old-Timers" were Billy Papke and Billy Miske, (9 each) and Joe Shugrue (8).

The Committee didn't miss many of the notable old-timers. Among those remembered in varying degrees were George (Elbows) McFadden, Dixie Kid, Bobby Dobbs, Jack Blackburn, Gunboat Smith, Harry Lewis, Willie Lewis, Charley Goldman, Frankie Neil, Sam McVey, Jack (Twin) Sullivan, Fireman Jim Flynn, Joe Mandot, Leach Cross, Mexican Joe Rivers, Frank Moran, Kid Williams, Joe Lynch, Jimmy Clabby, George (K.O.) Chaney, Memphis Pal Moore, Frankie Genaro, "Little" Jack Sharkey, Johnny Buff, Mike O'Dowd, Johnny Wilson, Pete Latzo, Pedlar Palmer, Mike McTigue and Harry Wills.

Selection of the "Pioneer" was made by the Directors of the Hall from among those hardy bare-knuckle brawlers of the old London Prize-Ring days, which preceded the advent of the "modern" Marquis of Queensberry code.

James (Deaf) Burke, a claimant of the English championship during the first half of the 19th century, was the latest choice.

Burke, a native of the St. Giles district in London, was born September 8, 1809. He was working as a waterman on the Thames River when he made the acquaintance of a veteran fighter, Joe Parish, who taught him the fundamentals of boxing and aroused his ambition to become a fighter. Burke was not particularly big, measuring 5 feet, 8½ inches in altitude and scaling about 175 pounds. For his first fight, on February 4, 1828, Parish pitted him against larger Ned Murphy for a $70 purse. The contest lasted fifty rounds, but with darkness setting in, it was declared a draw and the purse equally divided. Burke's showing was impressive enough to warrant his meeting a better known and more experienced Thomas (Bull) Hands on August 6 of the same year. Burke (by now known as the "Deaf 'Un") whipped Hands in 12 rounds.

Prize-fighting was a gruelling trade in those days, and it didn't take Burke long to realize it. Following a couple of comparatively quick victories (one over Young Sambo in 15 rounds and another over Young Berridge *(Continued on page 36)*

# VICTORY OVER LINCOLN REVEALED NEW PERSOL AS RING BALLET MASTER

By TED CARROLL

WHEN the final gong sounded in the Johnny Persol-Big Train Amos Lincoln fight in Madison Square Garden veteran observers were in unanimous agreement that they had witnessed one of the best boxing exhibitions yet seen in the 41 year old arena.

When it was all over they were calling Persol a "big Willie Pep", and what a pity it was that such a sparse gathering was present for such a boxing masterpiece. A masterpiece it was, as light heavyweight Persol, blown up to 182 lbs., 22 less than his powerful adversary, put on display all the artistry which makes clever boxing the most fascinating of athletic skills.

The Brooklyn bachelor showcased it all, the in and out footwork; the swift sidestep; the bobbing and weaving defense; the feints of shoulders, body and head; the rapid fire counters. When jammed into corners, or against the ropes he nullified the big man's power and determination by skillfully smothering his attack at close range.

The burly Californian is a ranking heavyweight, game, rugged, strong, and dangerous. But his overpowering physical advantages were completely discounted by Persol's deftness. He did it all without running away. Never once in the ten rounds did Persol take flight. He was always in hitting range but presented an endlessly moving target which the bigger man never was able to bullseye.

A majority of the onlookers gave him all ten of the rounds. The officials were more charitable to the lumbering Lincoln, a good heavyweight who was razzle-dazzled from start to finish.

Since one has to go back to the time of Billy Conn for a comparably clever performance by a lightheavyweight against a big man, the Ring reporter decided to seek out Persol, with the idea of hearing from him some of the secrets of his recent successes.

In his street clothes Johnny Persol is a small looking fighter to be tangling with heavyweights. He wears a perpetual grin.

He presents the pleasant natured personality typical of many fighters and is very articulate on the subject of his craft.

"I have no real secrets about any of this," he began. "Just about everyone knows that unless he is a terrific puncher a small man like myself has to keep moving when he's in with a big man like Lincoln. It's side to side, then in and out, hands held high. But there's one important thing to remember. Being faster, a little man can sometimes get the better of the exchanges with a slow big fellow. But he must not overdo it.

"I found I could outspeed Big Train at slugging it out but you can't afford to do too much of that because that's what a big heavyweight wants. If Goliath can just get a couple of bombs home a little fellow is in trouble."

"It's not hard to outspeed a big man but speed will beat even a smart smaller man, as I found out against Harold Johnson," Persol continued. "Every fighter will tell you that the toughest of all opponents is a smart fighter with a punch. They're a real problem, that's why they have so much trouble getting work as Johnson has had all these years. It's a good thing for the rest of us that there aren't many of his kind of fighter.

"Johnson is a clever boxer but he's a little slow now and they tell me that even years ago he never did too much stepping around.

That short right hand he drops in on you makes him tough even now. But it's the kind of right hand that you can keep an eye on. It doesn't come out of left field. Those are the kind of punches that give me and anybody else who boxes, the most trouble. You never see them.

They come out of the sky. A short right like Johnson's you can case, which is just what I was able to do. Being faster I was able to win the decision because while he has a good left that's very accurate, my left hand is much faster."

Not too many men have beaten Harold Johnson, even the old model. I reminded Persol who, grinning at the compliment, went on with his analysis. "That young heavyweight James J. Woody I fought, who never had lost before, is a lot like Lincoln, although not as experienced, or as big and strong. But he was a little faster. You do the same things against him as against Lincoln but you can afford to stay with him longer in the exchanges than you can with Lincoln.

"The big difference between fighting an inexperienced fighter like Woody, or a slow thinking one like Lincoln, and fighting a smart puncher like Harold Johnson, is that against a big slow man you can keep doing the same thing over and over and get away with it. Against a cutie with a punch you take a big chance doing the same thing again no matter how well it worked the first time. Try something twice and you may be sitting on the canvas, against Johnson's kind of people.

"The big difference between my recent fights and my early ones, besides the difference in experience, is in my left hook."

Here Johnny took time out to demonstrate the new manner of pivoting on his feet, and the way in which he now closes his fist in delivering the revamped blow.

"I owe this new style to Gil Clancy, who is not only a fine manager but a great instructor. He told me I was slapping instead of punching with my left, and figured out a way to improve it."

Persol's left hook had been a revelation against Lincoln. He often delivered this blow in double and triple combinations.

"I've been lucky in my boxing teachers. My first one was Ham Willoughby, in Brooklyn, one of the best. Clancy is just about as good. There's nobody better at picking an opponent's style apart and he seems to see so many little things that mean a lot. Since I've been with him he's never been wrong at telling a fighter how to fight the other guy. With Lincoln he told me, 'Listen, this is a big, strong guy with plenty of guts. He never will stop coming regardless of how much you hit him, so don't try to stay with him no matter how well you're doing in close. You've got to give him the old side to side.' Everything worked out just as Clancy said."

Persol had wiped out Lincoln's effectiveness when trapped in corners or along the ropes. What about that?

"I have found out that it's a whole lot safer to duck into a man when you're backed into a corner than to lean back, as a lot of fighters do. For one thing, you're down low, and being smaller, as I was, with Lincoln you're a tougher target than you would be bent back over the ropes with your chin way up in the air.

Willoughby has taught me a lot of spins that you use on a man when you're in that kind of position to keep him off balance and tied up until the referee breaks it up."

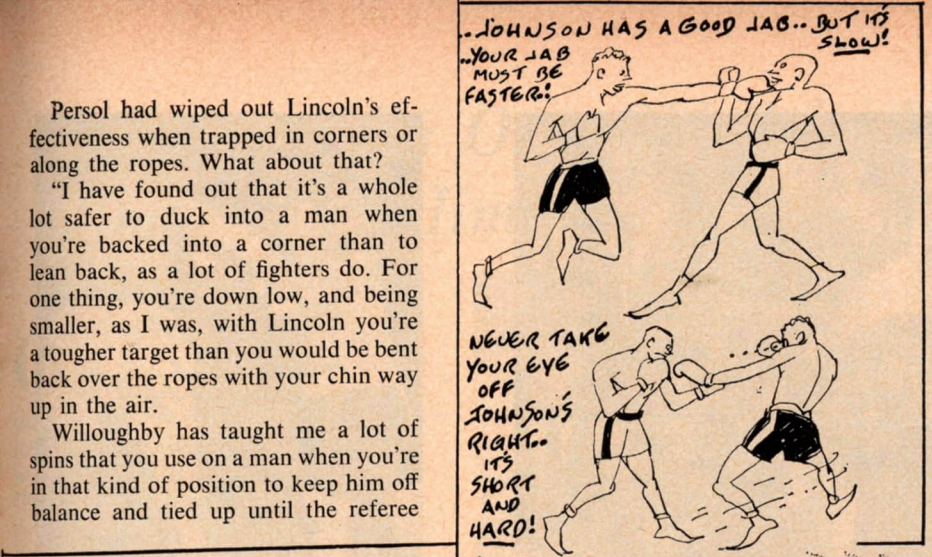
While Persol graciously credits his startling improvement to good instruction it never would have been possible without his own dedication to hard work and mastering the art of boxing. Work is something which the likeable Brooklynite finds highly compatible with his nature.

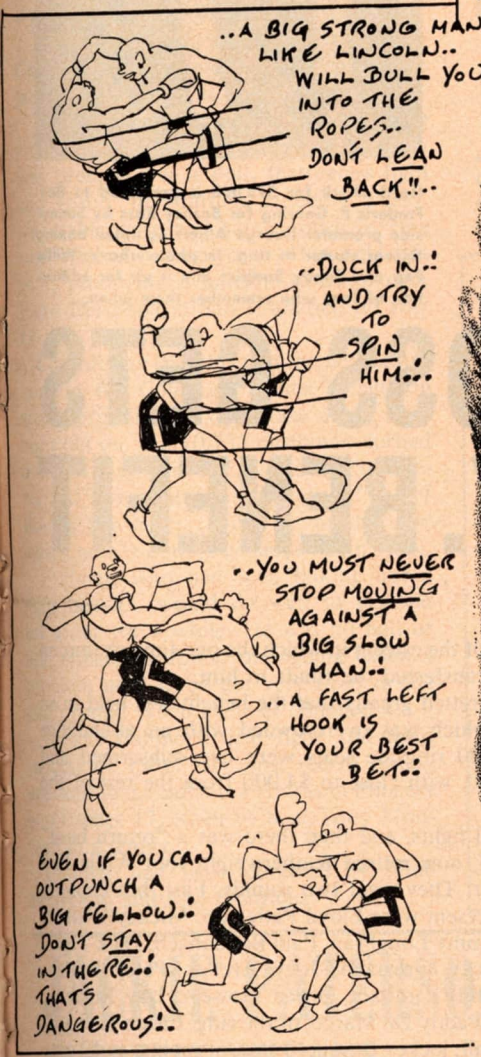
Although a ranking contender he goes to work as a shipping clerk every day for the Palisade Fabric Co. in midtown New York. He works out at Clancy's 28th St. Gym in the city every night. Unmarried, he is now in his sixth year of professional boxing following an amateur career comprising 85 bouts in which he never was beaten. Persol is a worthy example for young people in any line. His early setbacks (against Eddie Cotton and Roger Rouse) discounted by a willingness to apply himself to mastering his trade.

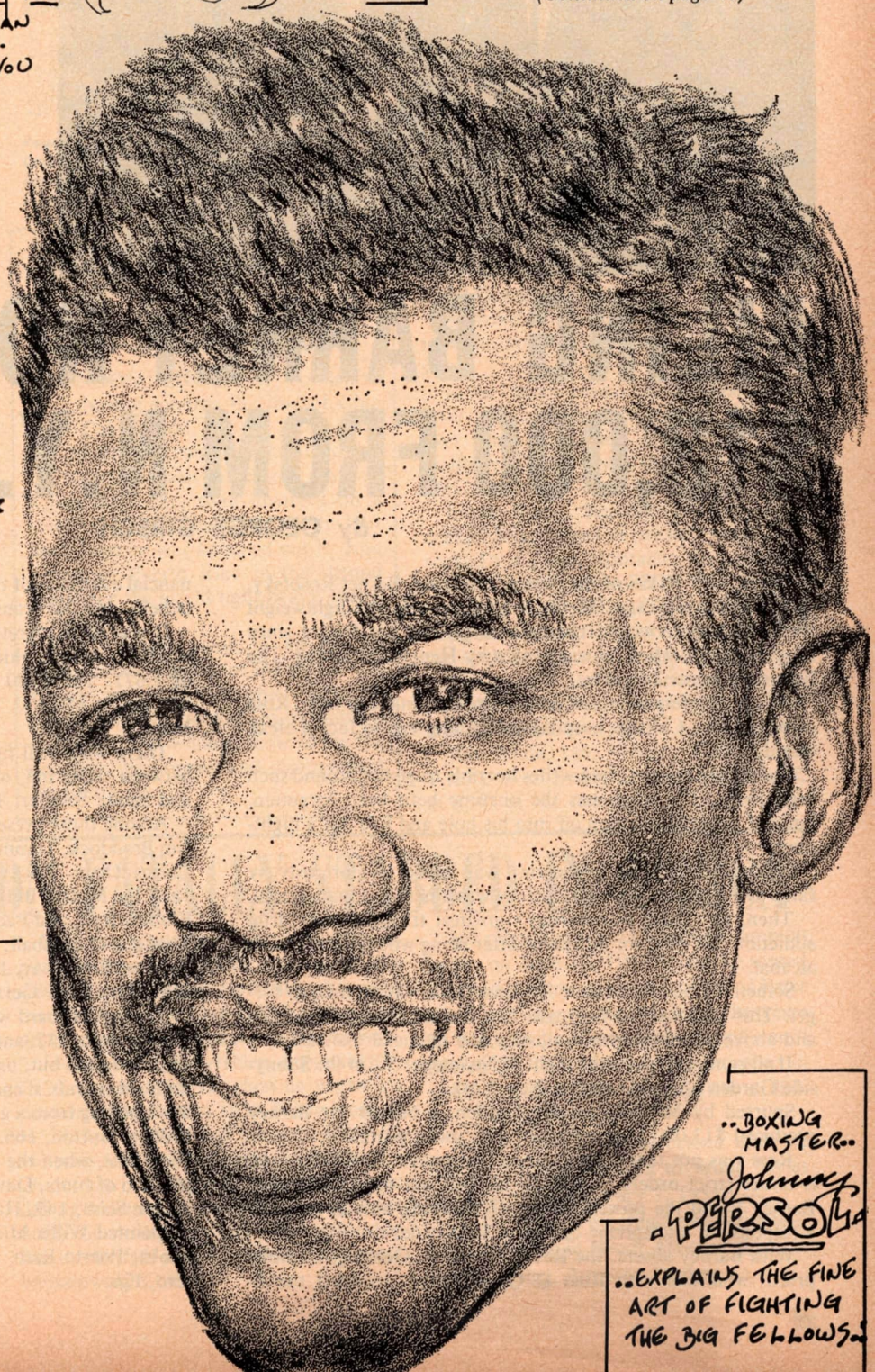
For anyone to be bracketed with Willie Pep for boxing wizardry represents the acme of achievement. Of his most recent performances Persol is on the way to deserving such an accolade.

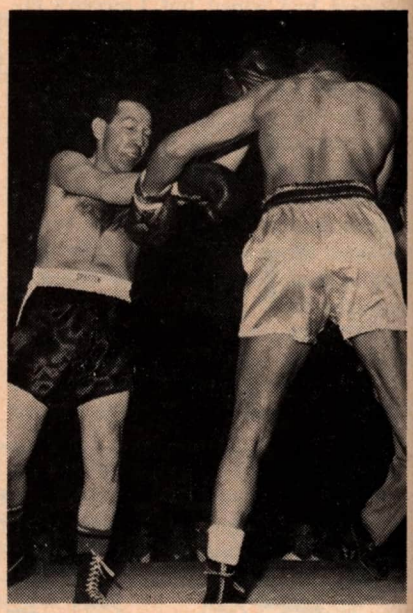
The demolition job that Cassius Clay

*(Continued on page 40)*





(Left) Check for $13,000 is presented to Rev. Frederic P. Gehring for Barney Ross by Sunnyside promoter George Albert as noted boxing figures cluster in ring. In photo above, Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler mix it up for edification of fans who remember them when.

# AILING BARNEY ROSS GETS $13,000 FROM N.Y. BENEFIT

**By GEORGE GIRSCH**

BARNEY ROSS of the professional ring, Barnet Rosofsky, of the Chicago Ghetto, who once held the lightweight and welterweight championships, has not fought since May 31, 1938, when he was beaten by Henry Armstrong. The hiatus measures 28 years.

At age 57, desperately ill and in need of financial help, Ross came out of a Chicago hospital not so long ago to face a bleak world.

Boxing history too often writes horrible tragedies around such ingredients. Too often has the onetime hero been forgotten, ignored, allowed to creep off into his hole and live out a nightmare.

In Ross' case, fame in the ring was added to gloriously by fame as a Marine. Barney Rosofsky was a hero at Guadalcanal.

Then, too, there was Barney's greatest triumph, over drug addiction. He went for morphine after being wounded at Guadalcanal.

Something had to be done for Ross. This was no man to forget. This man needed help, the firm handshake of friendship and above all, deepdown sympathy and financial assistance.

It all came to him on the night of November 30, in the Sunnyside Garden arena in Queens, New York.

Spurred by Madison Square Garden, a benefit for Barney produced $13,000 in ready cash, with more promised.

Ross was not there. As a cancer out-patient in Chicago, he is under strict orders to rest. In his bed out in the Midwest, Barney found the powers of speech escaping him as he cried a response to a telephone call from Sunnyside.

With Barney absent, the Rev. Frederic P. Gehring, Catholic priest, who was with Ross at Guadalcanal, accepted the financial evidences of the esteem in which the one-time champion is held, and has transferred the funds to him.

It was to be regretted greatly that the benefit was held in so small an arena, which was overcrowded with an attendance of 1,677. The $100 ringside seats were over-subscribed and brought in $10,800, with close to $4,000 from the rest of the house.

There were real fights, and then there was a "return bout" between those old, now retired featherweight foes Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler. They went two rounds. Fast, but enough.

Among those present were Floyd Patterson, Mickey Walker, Jim Braddock, Tommy Loughran, Paul Berlenbach, Dick Tiger, Carlos Ortiz, Rocky Graziano, Joey Archer, Petey Scalzo, Jake La Motta, Billy Graham, Bruce Flowers, Izzy Janazzo, Frankie Ryff, and Paddy De Marco, of the ring; Elston Howard, Yankees, of baseball; jockey Braulio Breza, of racing, and Toots Shor, of Broadway. Jackie Gleason sent his check, as did Max Schmeling from Germany, and Jack Solomons from London.

The regular card was topped by transplanted Puerto Ricans, Genaro Soto, 137, and Mike Cortez, 139. It was a furious battle while it lasted but, unfortunately, it didn't last long. Scheduled for eight rounds, it ended at the close of the second when Cortez was bleeding from a gash over his right eye. In the semi-final six, William Burton, 166, Harlem, won from Randy Stevens, 164, West Side, when the bout was halted at the end of the fourth. In a trio of fours, Dave Melendez, 147, Puerto Rico, decisioned Richie Scott, 149, Harlem; James J. Johnson, 211, West Side, outpointed Willis Miles, 250, Freeport, L.I., and Benito Vega, 126½, Puerto Rico, won from a fellow-islander, Mario Guerrero, 126.

# *Fullmer's Win Over Old Bobo Hardly Classic; Rouse Lifts Himself To Top Title Contender*

**By FREDDY COHEN**

OAKLAND, CAL.—It has become the style for fighters to move out of their weight classifications. The latest adventurer is Don Fullmer, whose foray into the ranks of the light heavyweights, in his fight with veteran Bobo Olson, turned out to be a successful one in sofar as the decision was concerned. As a work of art, no.

In the first boxing match held in the new Coliseum Arena here, Fullmer got more points than Olson in 30 minutes.

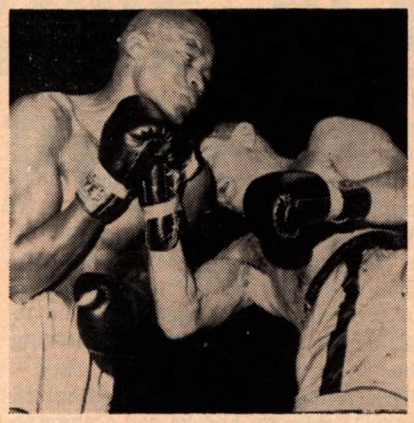
Olson, once a champion, was willing enough. The spirit was there but the body was tired. It was a dull, featureless fight and Olson, in addition to being weary, was stable worn and handicapped by ring rust. He had had only one other fight this year, producing a hairline decision over Piero Del Papa in San Francisco on July 11.

Considering that this was the dedicatory bout in the Coliseum Arena, something more sprightly and important might have been put on. But 10,733 customers turned out, and they paid $45,177, only to be rewarded with a faint carbon copy of one of Bobo's less heroic efforts of his heyday, which now is quite a distance behind him.

Fullmer, who has been talking about light heavies, would do well to restrain his ardor for a while. He was no ball of fire, either. He found the ageing Olson a problem until Bobo got very tired in the tenth round. Then Fullmer clinched it.

It was Fullmer's fifth fight and third success of 1966. His most recent outing previous to the Bobo match was in Phoenix on October 17, when he beat Tony Montano in a tenner.

Fullmer had been defeated by Nino Benvenuti and Jose Gonzalez.



**Roger Rouse (right) lands hard right to Eddie Cotton's chin during their light heavyweight contest at Seattle, won by Rouse via a 12-round decision. Roger's now top contender.**

## British Boxing Mourns Loss Of Calderwood

LONDON, ENGLAND — British boxing mourns the loss of Chic Calderwood, whose death has left the British cruiserweight title open.

Calderwood was killed in a crash in which three cars were involved on a lonely road in Lanarkshire. Only four weeks ago he was knocked out by Jose Torres in Puerto Rico in the second round for the world light heavy championship.

Chic's career came to an end in tragic circumstances, at the age of 29. He was an in and out fighter. When in good form, he looked every inch a champion. But when it came to the big occasion, he flopped and disappointed his followers.

**By TOMMY LEFEBVRE**

SEATTLE, WASH.—In one of the best fights seen here in a long time, George Parnassus, who now promotes in Seattle, had Eddie Cotton, a hot local favorite, and Roger Rouse, of Anaconda, former Olympic star, featured in a 12 round bout. Rouse won by a split decision. He was the aggressor throughout, landed the harder punches, and carried most of the rounds. Now Rouse is the No. 1 contender for Torres' title.

Cotton hurt Rouse in the sixth and tenth rounds but couldn't deck the tough Montanan. Rouse crowded Cotton and landed many body punches. He occasionally switched to the head with hard lefts and straight rights.

Referee Fred Apostoli scored the fight a draw, 116-116. Judges Jimmy Rondeau and Whitey Domstad saw it for Rouse, 117-115 and 118-113.

A crowd of 6,631 paid $40,023 to witness the bout in the Seattle Center Coliseum.

In the curtain raiser, Seattle's Gary Holliday punched out a unanimous decision over Jim McGowan, Vancouver, B.C. Holliday's hard straight right offset McGowan's left hook. They are welters.

Larry Buck, Seattle's 164 pounder, decked Mike Gross in the first round and rocked the game Montanan the next five rounds to win the decision.

Middleweight Mike Tunney, Portland, stopped Mike Seyler, Colville, at 2:10 of the sixth round after dropping the tough Indian once in the fifth and twice in the sixth before the referee stopped it. This was the action bout of the card.

Ray White, 186, Ventura, Calif. won a T.K.O. over Buddy Levine, Hollywood, at 2:49 of the fourth.

# JACKIE PATERSON FATALLY STABBED IN AFRICA

**By BILLY WILLIAMS**

The fatal stabbing of Jackie Paterson in South Africa marked the second tragic ending of a Scottish world flyweight champion. The first was when Benny Lynch, rated by many authorities as the finest ring mechanic the division had produced since the heyday of the great Jimmy Wilde, virtually drank himself to the grave in 1946. Lynch was 38 when he died; Paterson 46.

Durban police reported that Paterson was stabbed to death in a drinking bout in nearby Amanzimtoti.

Paterson, a southpaw, was a thunderous puncher for a little fellow. His record was studded with knockout triumphs over many of the world's top 112-pounders, and quite a few good bantamweights as well.

Jackie, born in Ayrshire, September 5, 1920, was not yet 18 when he began his professional career in 1938. When it ended in 1951, Paterson had accounted for 62 victories (41 by k.o.) against 3 draws and 26 defeats in 91 outings. At various times during his industrious career, he held not only the world flyweight championship but the British and Empire flyweight and bantamweight titles.

His reign as world 112-pound champion began on June 19, 1943, when he scored a sensational one-round knockout of Peter Kane in Glasgow, and through the years he successfully defended his laurels until March 23, 1948, when he was stopped in seven rounds by Rinty Monaghan in Belfast, Ireland.

Jackie's ring activities ceased after he lost an 8-round decision to Willie Myles in Dundee on February 7, 1951.

At the time of his tragic passing, Paterson was living in South Africa and working as a truck driver in Durban.

# PUNCH LINES

### NO BAR TO EX-BOXERS AS UMPS

I say that the fact that a man was a professional boxer does not bar him from being hired as an umpire by the National and American baseball leagues.

My controversial pal insists that no man with a professional fight record would be hired as an umpire.

Please publish your answer in Punch Lines at the earliest because I have got to shut him up, and spend his five.

Tully Ambrose
Brooklyn, N.Y.

*Editor's Note: There is no regulation in the major baseball leagues barring former fighters from being hired as umpires. George Magerkurth, who died recently and was an umpire in the National League for many years, was a pro heavyweight, and a poor one. Lou Kolls, who was an American League umpire and died some years ago, also fought professionally as a heavy. Babe Pinelli, who umpired in the National League, also was a boxer. Larry Napp, currently in the American League, has refereed fights.*

### "SUCKER" WASN'T SUCKERED

Your recent article, "Never Give a Sucker an Even Break", was highly interesting, but champions and title contenders aren't the only ones to make mistakes in taking on obscure opponents and running into stunning defeats.

I remember a fight in which the champion appeared in the role of "sucker", only to upset the ambitious plans of his opponent.

It was in 1946, and Gus Lesnevich was returning to the ring after four years of service in the Coast Guard. In the meantime, Joe Kahut had been making hay not only on his farm but in the ring, too. Among his fistic exploits, Kahut had won the Pacific Coast light heavyweight championship, and now he wanted a crack at the world title. A match with Lesnevich was arranged for Portland, Oregon. Most of the "experts" figured Kahut would take the championship from the ring-rusty Lesnevich. But it was not to be. Gus knocked him out in one round. So it isn't always the "name" fighters who look for "suckers."

Walter Marshall
Oakdale, California

### DEMANDS WELL-CONDITIONED REFEREE

I was at the Clay-Williams fight and still can't get over the way our local man disappointed us. However, we expected too much of a 31-year-old fighter who had been shot up, almost killed, and had been decked by an unrated boxer like Mel Turnbow. Shows how a lot of people can go into self-hypnosis.

Imagine my amazement when it came time for the referee to enter the ring, and an old, fat man showed up for the job.

I have protested to the Texas Commission about this. I believe that the referee should be in fine condition, and, like the fighters, should undergo physical examination.

Why wasn't our Texan Webb given the job? Why did the Commission have to import an obese official who might have been hurt seriously had he been called on to work 15 rounds, especially in a holding fight.

This referee had not worked in 18 months. Lucky for him he had nothing to do. He never had to break them. That he is well off and turns his fee over to charity is interesting. But let charity derive from other sources.

I insist the referee should be in as good physical condition as the fighters.

Hugh Norman Delaplaine
Houston, Tex.

### BRITON GOES TO BAT FOR US

In a recent edition of The Ring, some of the views of Jackie Davis of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. went into print.

He began by accusing The Ring of downgrading today's fighters. I have never been aware of The Ring deliberately putting down anyone—after ten years as a reader. This is probably a conclusion that Davis has drawn from reading occasional articles which criticize the limitations of some present day fighters.

Boxing has always carried a minority of fighters who, because of their limited ability and for their own well being, would be well advised to forget their pugilistic ambitions and turn to ordinary jobs. To point out who these people are is a service.

The second paragraph names Louis, Baer and Schmeling as being too slow, and goes on to say that Clay would have beaten any of them. Few heavyweights are fast but these three could hit and we saw how Clay takes the big one in his first encounter with our own Henry Cooper. Louis, Baer or Schmeling could have knocked out the mobile—but wide open —Clay without a great deal of difficulty.

The next paragraph would be hilarious if it were not pathetic. It lists the world champions at the time of writing (with the possible exception of Torres) as being all time greats. Without going into too much detail, it seems on this evidence that we can now regard Burruni's conqueror, Walter McGowan, as invincible, in spite of the fact that the Scots rate him behind "old timers" Lynch and Patterson. Dick Tiger's loss to the welterweight champion speaks for itself. Fitzsimmons, whose rating is regarded by Davis as a joke, held world titles at three weights.

It is to the credit of The Ring that it prints this type of criticism. But where is logic and where is fact?

Geoffrey Hayward
Wolverhampton, England

### A FEW KIND WORDS FOR RISKO

In the fight game in the Dempsey era, the name of Risko registered in the heavyweight division. You had to beat Johnny Risko to get a shot at the title.

The Risko name was again posted on the marquees of the arenas when Sailor Pulaski won the middleweight Navy crown in the early 30's and then adopted his second name change of Babe Risko to hide the fact that he was a fighter from his parents.

The first name change took place at the ripe old age of seventeen when the Babe was being cornered into marriage, he neatly falsified his age and name to make the service in the Navy. His correct name was Henry Pelkowski. At a later date he legalized Risko.

The "Babe" never alibied his losses, but for the record Babe was steered into his fight with Jock McAvoy in the Garden. His willingness made him go into a fight with a badly broken hand, his best weapon, his best defense, his left hand. The "Babe" passed away of a heart condition at the age of 47. He was Sales Manager for U.S. Hoffman.

Vince "Risko" Pelkowski
(Brother of the Babe)
Canton, Ohio

### CRITICIZES RATINGS

What do you use in getting up the ratings, a ouija board? Some of the listings just cannot be explained. I like the old system better. Your new idea commits injustices to great fighters who refuse to accept cheap rates, and overplays kids who are half baked.

Some of the youngsters should have a dozen fights a year at the rates I hear they are accepting in New York and Los Angeles.

Give me a top fighter with two fights a year over some rookie with a dozen fights against other palookas.

Why don't you attack the American agents who ship boat and plane loads of bums over to Europe and down to South America?

Hasbeens, never-wases, never will-bes, —they are exported with the pull-in label of "American" and give foreign fight fans the idea that the game is on its last legs in this country.

One agent in particular is thriving on this export business but you haven't got the guts to show him up.

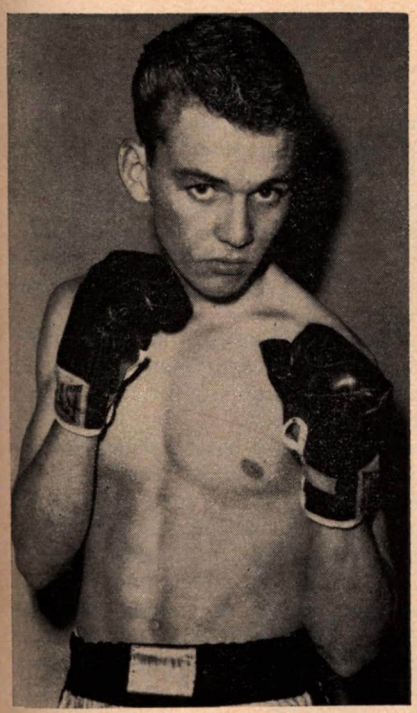
Jake Pinsky
New York, N.Y.

# NEWARK TO EDMONTON, NEW BOXERS CLAMOR FOR THEIR PLACES IN SUN

By JOHN ORT

DURING the past few months new interest has been stirred up in the lightweight, featherweight and light heavyweight divisions, due largely to activity of champions, plus the appearance of new entries of promise.

Angel Oquendo, light heavyweight, Puerto Rico; lightweights Lloyd Marshall, Newark, N.J. and Renaldo Victoria, Pittsfield, Mass.; and featherweight Billy McGrandle, Edmonton, Canada, clamor for recognition.



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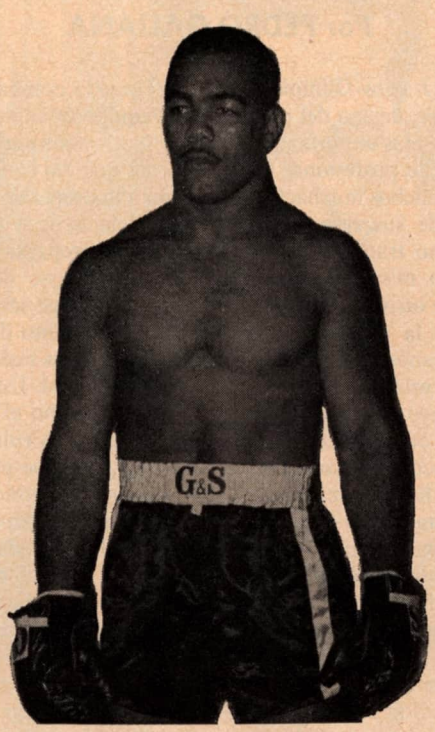
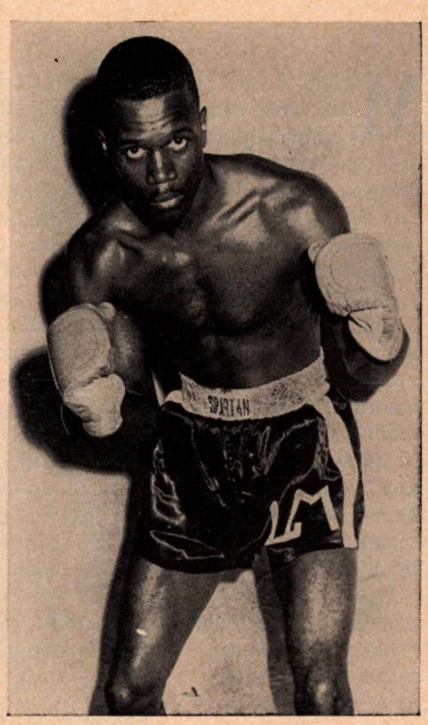



ANGEL OQUENDO




LLOYD MARSHALL

Oquendo boxed in the amateurs in 1959. He engaged in 19 bouts, losing only one. Angel's professional debut came on June 14, 1961, when he defeated Dave Miller in four rounds. Since then he has fought 11 times, winning nine and losing two. During the past year he has beaten four opponents, his most recent success being a nine round kayo over Willie Tiger in San Juan.

Angel was born in Fajardo, Puerto Rico. He moved to New York when he was 12. He lives with his mother and brother.

Oquendo is managed by Larry Martin and Morty Rogers, who think big about him.

McGrandle was born in Dumbarton, Scotland, and moved to Edmonton at an early age. He began to box as an amateur at the age of ten.

In 1963 Billy won his first major title, the Junior National flyweight championship of Canada. Then, in 1964, he won the National bantamweight title. He was the youngest member of the 1964 Canadian Olympic team.

McGrandle started fighting for pay in early 1966 with a ten round decision over Raul Carron. In his second bout he won the Canadian featherweight title by defeating Rocky McDougall in 12 rounds. Two months later he retained this title by beating McDougall again.

Billy's professional career covers only three bouts. As an amateur he engaged in 160 bouts, losing only five times over a period of seven years.

He is managed by his father, Scotty McGrandle, who says that his 18-year old son is the greatest prospect to come out of Canada since Jimmy McLarnin, who came out of Vancouver.

Marshall is considered the best prospect to develop in New Jersey since the late Gus Lesnevich, once light heavyweight king.

Marshall is a transplanted Georgian who moved to Newark in 1959. He started his career in the New Jersey Golden Gloves in that same year. In 1962 he won the National Golden Gloves bantamweight crown, in Chicago. *(Continued on page 38)*

# THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

CHEGUI TORRES Y JOHNNY MANZANET

# Puerto Rico Puede Ganar El Boxeo En Las Olimpiadas

**Por PEDRO GALIANA**

MEXICO va a ser el escenario de los Juegos Olimpicos de 1968, y luce que el boxeo ha de ser, dentro del programa popular, uno de los deportes de mas importancia. El boxeo amateur olimpico ha dado al deporte profesional algunos de sus mas importantes campeones, y muchos muchachos han de responder a la llamada Olimpica de sus respectivos paises buscando utilizar las Olimpiadas como trampolin para llegar firmemente al mundo profesional, lo mismo que han hecho Floyd Patterson y Cassius Clay, entre otros.

Cuba, según todos los que entienden de la asignatura—y según se comprobó en los Juegos Pan-americanos—será el pais a derrotar. En la Cuba roja de Fidel Castro están abolidos los deportes profesionales; y, no teniendo nuevo campo donde ampliar sus conocentos, muchos muchachos cubanos con condiciones para seguir las huellas de Kid Chocolate, Black Bill, Kid Tunero, Benny Paret, Luis Manuel Rodriguez, Sugar Ramos, Mantequilla Napoles y los demas, han tenido que quedarse en las filas aficionadas, dando al team cubano una fuerza dificil de burlar en los eventos de caracter internacional.

Hay una persona, sin embargo, que cree firmemente que el team cubano puede ser vencido, por los atletas puertorriqueños, y solo pide que le den tiempo para prepararlos, en la seguiridad de que al celebrarse los eventos de Mexico, los jovenes puertorriqueños estarán listos para anotarse el triunfo. Esta persona es Johnny Manzanet, el joven trainer de 29 años de Salinas, Puerto Rico, que es quien conduce la preparación del campeon mundial de los pesos lige ros-completos, Chegui Torres.

"Yo creo que Puerto Rico tiene grandes posibilidades Olimpicas"—dice Johnny. "Acabo de hacer un viaje por la isla, y he podido comprobar que en éstos momentos el boxeo está casi a la par con el beisbol en lo que a popularidad se refiere. Cientos de muchachos, de magnificas condiciones, quieren seguir los pasos de Chegui Torres y Carlos Ortiz, y todos están respondiendo a la llamada del Comite Olimpico."

"En los dias en que estuve en la isla, mas de mil jovenes hicieron su inscripcion para los torneos preliminares a las Olimpiadas, y creo que cuando se inicien las actividades Puerto Rico tendrá el entry mas grande que se recuerda en la historia del pais."

"He visto buen material de San Juan, Santurce y Rio Piedras, en la zona de la capital, así como en Caguas, Ponce y Salinas. En Ponce está trabajando muy bien Juan Gilbert, que es el director de boxeo de la localidad."

¿Ha sido nombardo Manzanet ya para trabajar como coach del equipo Olimpico?

"No.—contesta Johnny. "Pero, me gustaría extraordinadiamente que me concedieran ese honor. Yo he dedicado toda mi vida a la preparacion de muchachos para el ring, y creo conoce lo suficiente de la técnica moderna para lograr el triunfo."

"Para preparar debidamente un equipo de boxeo no basta conocer mucho del deporte,—apunta Johnny. "Hay muchas otras cosas que son necesarias para garantizar el exito y el buen comportamiento del team."

"Los atletas necesitan ir a los eventos con buena preparación física y mental. Esta es la base del triunfo. Un muchacho puede gustarle mucho el deporte, pero, si no está fisicamente preparado, será una ruina en poco tiempo."

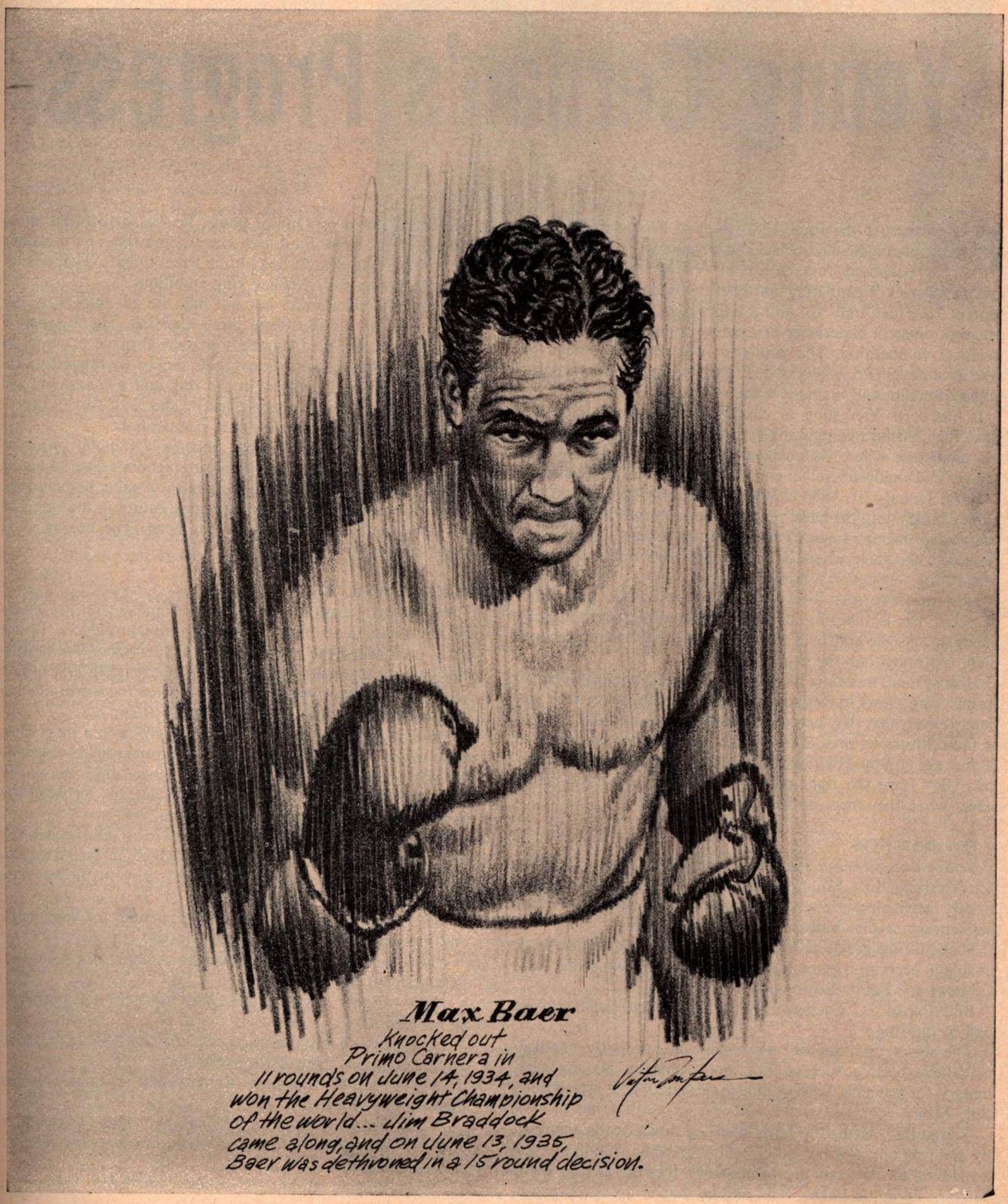
"Yo creo que el boxeador necesita hacer muchos ejercicios de acondicionamiento para poder triunfar. Y su mente tiene que estar debidamente preparada. No hay como el boxeo para desarrollar debidamente la mente de un muchacho"—dice Johnny. "En los deportes de conjunto otro puede ayudarle a triunfar. En el boxeo, el pugilista está solo tan pronto suena la campaña que anuncia el comienzo de los rounds y si no está preparado fisica y mentalmente no podra triunfar."

"En Puerto Rico gusta el boxeo y yo espero que se convierta en el primer deporte del pais en al futuro. Hasta ahora los arbitrios han estado deteniendo el proceso de desarrollo del deporte. Pero, tengo entendido que esos arbitrios serán eliminados pronto y eso dará chance a que los promotores puedan escenificar buenos programas profesionales todos los sebados. Venciana y Zabala tienen intencion de hacer mucho en ese sentido y yo sé que Eddy Garcia es un promoter que está esperando solamente la luz verde para montar los espectáculos. Además, el gobierno, según tengo entendido, tratará de ayudar economicamente al promotor que escenifique en San Juan peleas por el campeonato mundial."

Manzanet cree que hay mucho que hacer antes de llegar a las Olimpiadas de Mexico. Primero debe celebrarse un campeonato de los Guantes de Oro, con los ganadores celebrando despues un dual meet con los triunfadores del torneo de los Guantes Latinos que organiza anualmente el periodico "El Tiempo." Despues debe celebrarse el campeonato de la Union Atletica de Amateurs y por último de be celebrar un inter-cambio con los ganadores de los distintos estados."

Cuando los atletas puertorriqueños *(Continued on page 36)*

# HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS—PORTRAIT No. 14



**Max Baer**
Knocked out
Primo Carnera in
11 round's on June 14, 1934, and
won the Heavyweight Championship
of the world... Jim Braddock
came along, and on June 13, 1935,
Baer was dethroned in a 15 round decision.

By JERSEY JONES

# Young Cerdan's Progress

IT WAS back in the June, 1960, issue of The Ring that this commentator devoted considerable space in these columns to the proposed ring career of Young Marcel Cerdan and his chances of emulating his illustrious dad in fistic warfare. Marcel 2nd, then only 16, and a lightweight, was planning to get some amateur experience first before trying his luck in professional competition. The youngster was sensible enough to take as advisers two well-versed, French boxing men, promoter Gilbert Benaim and manager-trainer Philippe Filippi.

It has been interesting to check young Cerdan's progress since then. After a comparatively brief but industrious span in the amateurs, where he chalked up 38 wins in 41 outings, Marcel 2nd's sponsors felt encouraged to turn him professional.

From January 21, 1965, when he fought his first bout in the money ranks, until the latest report received from Paris, Cerdan had waded through some 25 bouts without defeat, and had advanced to the stage where The Ring now lists him among the world's top ten junior welterweights.

How much further the youngster will progress remains to be seen. He is laboring under a tremendous psychological handicap. As the son of a former world middleweight champion, too much may be expected of him.

History and tradition have generally been against sons of former ring greats, trying to emulate their dads' feats. It is seldom, if ever, that they become as proficient or as distinguished as their illustrious sires. The reasons may be many and varied. If they are groomed by their fathers, they become too mechanical. They learn the right moves, but cannot think for themselves when they meet up with the unexpected.

### A FEW INSTANCES

Young Bob Fitzsimmons was a typical case. There were few better boxers than Young Bob, but his modus operandi was strictly mechanical. He was too defensive, with neither the combativeness nor punching power of Ruby Robert.

Such all-time greats as Mike Gibbons and Jack Britton were unable to account for notable success with their offspring, Jack Gibbons and Bobby Britton.

Billy Papke, Jr., was never more than a vague replica of his dad in the ring.

There was one "junior" we recall who, properly handled, may have been a success, but, unfortunately, his manager, hungry for paydays, rushed him to destruction. It was Young Billy Miske.

Young Billy seemed to have inherited much of the personality and ring talent of his father, who died when Junior was still a toddling tot. We saw the youngster in training at Doc Bier's camp in Pompton Lakes, N.J., and he shaped up as a prospect worth tabbing. He could both box and punch, and had he been taken along intelligently there is no saying how far he would have progressed. But he wasn't given the chance to develop properly. After a few minor bouts, he was ballyhooed into a "money fight" in St. Paul with clever, ringwise, sharpshooting Lee Savold, who demolished him in three rounds. That was the finish of Young Billy Miske's ring ambitions.

Young Marcel Cerdan has not had the advantages, or disadvantages, of his illustrious sire's tutoring. He was only 6 when Marcel, Sr. died tragically in that airplane crash in the Azores. What he knows of boxing he picked up himself watching other fighters in action, in the ring and gymnasiums, and what he learned has been polished by the right sort of experience in amateur and professional competition.

Meanwhile, Marcel 2nd has become a popular attraction throughout France, and has been a tremendous asset to boxing there by doing much of his fighting in the smaller communities.

At 23, he faces a highly encouraging future in the ring if he can continue to progress as he has been. The boxing world hopes he can.

### TRAGIC TRAFFIC TOLL

We've had occasion before this to comment on the ghastly toll traffic accidents have taken of prominent fighters. To that toll is now added the name of Chic Calderwood, British light-heavyweight champion, killed in a three-car crash in his native Scotland, only four weeks after his bid for the world title had been repulsed by Jose Torres in Puerto Rico.

Modern means of motorized travel have been a tremendous boon to the world, but they also have brought loads of grief to the boxing industry. Automobiles have been the most prolific purveyors of grim tidings, but motorcycles and airplanes also have contributed to the gruesome total.

Lack of space makes it impossible to list all the untimely finishes of prominent fighters and ex-fighters in fatal road accidents, but here's a partial list of the many in the last three decades:

1933—Willie (Young) Stribling, contender for heavyweight and light-heavyweight titles, near Macon, Ga.

1946—Former world heavyweight champion Jack Johnson, near Raleigh, N.C.

1949—Highly rated welterweight Vince Foster, near Pipestone, Minn.

1952—British Empire middleweight champion Dave Sands in Dundog, near Newcastle, Australia.

1954—Former Canadian welterweight champion Johnny Greco, near Montreal.

1956—French bantamweight champion Emile Chemana, en route to Marseilles from Paris, where, the previous night, he had won the title.

1957—Former prominent welterweight Eddie Murdock, in Mojave, Cal.

1961—Former light-heavyweight title contender, Irish Bob Murphy, near Boston, Mass.

1963—Former featherweight title contender Claude Varner, near Bakersfield, Cal.

1963—Promising middleweight Bobby Lee Horn, near Eugene, Ore.

1963—Former Argentine lightweight champion Jose Maria Garica, near Buenos Aires.

Boxing's greatest air tragedy, of course, was in 1949, when French-Moroccan Marcel Cerdan, on his way back to the United States to bid for his lost world middleweight laurels, perished in a plane crash in the Azores.

Prominent ringsters who survived bad accidents have been Willie Pep, Hilaire Pratesi and Sandro Mazzinghi. Pep, then world featherweight champion, was seriously injured in a plane crash early in 1947, but he recovered and went on to fight for another twelve years, although, in that stretch, he lost his championship in a thrilling four-bout series with Sandy Saddler.

Pratesi, then French champion, and regarded as one of the finest bantamweights ever produced in France, became paralyzed from injuries suffered in an automobile accident near Marseilles in 1955.

It was only a few years ago—in '64 to be precise—that Sandro Mazzinghi, currently the European junior middleweight champion, was hospitalized and his bride of nine days killed in an automobile crash in the Italian spa resort of Pontedera Terma.

And now Chic Calderwood's name is added to the grim list.

## AROUND THE RING

Belated birthday greetings to the oldest living former world champion, heavyweight Jess Willard, who recently reached 85. . . . The next oldest, featherweight Abe Attell, will celebrate his 83rd, along with George Washington's 235th, on February 22. . . . Other natal anniversaries, recently come and gone, were the 81st for manager-trainer-matchmaker Jack (Doc) Moore and the 79th each for The Ring's Nat Fleischer and Charley (Mr. Allentown, Pa., Boxing) Ettinger.

Although he retired from ring competition two years ago, Gustav (Bubi) Scholz, former European light-heavyweight champion, still is a popular personality with his German compatriots, and is currently doing well with public relations accounts and a perfumery shop in Frankfurt.

Eddie Nugent, reported in these columns a few issues ago as critically ill in the Newton, N.J., Memorial Hospital, failed to recover and died there at the age of 73. . . . A native of Nutley, N.J., Nugent was a fine middleweight before and after World War I. (During the War, he served in the U.S. Navy.) . . . Also an excellent swimmer, Eddie usually took time off from his ring activities during the summer to act as a life guard at New Jersey and New York beaches. . . . When his own ring career ended, Nugent helped to train Young Bob Fitzsimmons, was an early tutor of the visiting Argentine giant, Luis Angel Firpo, and conditioned scores of Golden Gloves hopefuls at the Newark Athletic Club.

Some disputed decisions of late have prompted a campaign in Britain, where referees have sole authority in awarding verdicts, to adopt the system generally in use in the U.S. and many other sectors throughout the world—having judges vote with the referees. . . . Whether that would represent an improvement over the current arrangement is problematical—even with judges tabbing with referees, American rings have produced some highly controversial decisions. We could cite some instances where the verdicts have not been merely controversial—they've been downright putrid.

## BUSY BEES

In compiling statistics for the 1967 Ring Record Book and Boxing Encyclopedia, one encounters some interesting facts and figures.

With such veteran campaigners as Archie Moore, Ray Robinson and Willie Pep out of competition, boxing's busiest bee now is Andres Selpa, Argentine holder of the South American light heavyweight title since the abdication of Peru's Mauro Mina. At 35, and functioning professionally since 1951, Selpa has crowded in 181 bouts, and there is no immediate indication of slowing down his pace.

Two of Europe's most active operatives in recent years—middleweight Peter Muller of Germany and welterweight Fred Galiana of Spain—have hung up the mittens. Muller, in 19 years, accounted for 187 professional outings, while Galiana, in 24 years (with two out during a previous retirement), had a total of 172.

The most prolific American at present is former world lightweight champion Joe Brown, engaged in a sort of Cook's Tour. In the last three years, Old Bones has fought in the West Indies, South America, Mexico, South Africa, England, Italy and Finland. At 40, Brown has put together a total of 148 bouts since he began operations in 1946.

Quite a difference from the so-called "good old days," when it was nothing unusual for fighters like Sam Langford, Battling Levinsky, Johnny Dundee, Ted (Kid) Lewis, Jack Britton, Young Stribling, Harry Greb, et al., to finish with anywhere from 200 to 400 bouts listed in their records.

On the subject of records, we are happy to report that a certain California welterweight has finally decided to retire after specializing in contributions to Foreign Aid. Through 1964, '65 and '66, he travelled all over this restless sphere, helping hometown favorites in Italy, France, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand and Japan, as well as the U.S., to pad their records with wins over him, many of them by knockouts. . . . Unfortunately, his place has been taken by a Memphis, Tenn., middleweight, whose 1966 score displayed losses, several by k.o.s, in South Africa, France, Aruba, Hawaii and the U.S. The monotony of successive defeats was temporarily interrupted by a draw in France.

Another Memphis entry, this one a heavyweight, doesn't bother traveling to alien climes—he does his losing on a "See America First" program. Defeats have been accounted for in Tennessee, Missouri, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, California and Texas. In two years, he has lost eight of eleven starts (five by k.o.), but his "perfect" score has been marred by three wins.

## DEAFNESS NO HANDICAP

With the selection of James (Deaf) Burke to the Pioneer category in this year's voting for Boxing's Hall of Fame, one is reminded that lack of speech and/or hearing is not always a serious handicap to a fighter.

Through the years the ring has produced some very good deaf-mutes, capable of holding their own with any of the headliners in their divisions.

Back around the World War I era, one of the toughest middleweights in the U.S. was Silent Martin of Brooklyn, who stepped along with the likes of George Chip, Al McCoy, Mike O'Dowd, Johnny Wilson, Soldier Bartfield, Jack Britton and the Gibbons brothers, Mike and Tom.

During the '40s, New York had a fine performer in Eugene (Silent) Hairston, of the Bronx, who tangled with the best of them in both the welterweights and middleweight classes.

More recently, Mario D'Agata of Italy punched his way into the world bantamweight title in the mid-'50s.

The current Spanish featherweight champion, Kid Tano, is a deaf mute, but it hasn't affected his rating as one of Europe's busiest campaigners and most consistent winners.

**His mother looks on as Marcel Cerdan 2nd greets a boxing delegation in his family's Casablanca tavern. On the wall is an oil painting of his illustrious dad, former world middleweight champion, fatally injured in a plane crash in the Azores in 1949.**

## THESE AND THOSE

Veteran manager-promoter George Sheppard of Far Rockaway, L.I., is quite excited with a decisive victory registered by a nephew, 38-year-old Herbert A. Posner, in the recent elections. Posner will be the 19th Assembly District's representative in the New York State capitol in Albany. . . . Sheppard also reports a boxing revival in Scranton, Pa., where he has been helping with the promotions. Shows there have been averaging around $5,000.

Getting himself involved in a squabble over a decision in a Sugar Ramos bout is no new experience for Ramon Velasquez, the Mexican official, who tried to take the world lightweight title away from Carlos Ortiz and hand it over to Ramos in Mexico City. In 1964, Senor Velasquez was one of the two judges—Ed Lassman of Miami Beach was the other—who precipitated a boisterous to-do in Accra, Ghana, in 1964 when they overruled the British referee, Jack Hart, and decreed that Ramos, then featherweight champion, had successfully defended his laurels against local entry Floyd Robertson.

Harold Walsh, veteran manager-promoter of Barberton, Ohio, reports the passing in Akron of another old-time Buckeye State favorite, middleweight Eddie Mullaney, 71. A native of Cleveland, Mullaney spent most of his life in Akron and represented the Rubber City in his fistic Operations. "Diamond Eddie," as he was dubbed, fought around the World War I era. A rugged "club fighter" and stiff puncher, he tangled with many of the leading middleweights of his time, and three times came out of the audience to substitute for other fighters. Retiring from the ring, Mullaney remained in Akron to sell jewelry, operate a parking lot and for a brief spell conduct a gymnasium.

With the passing of his sister Mattie, Lew Burston, veteran international operative, is the sole survivor of a clan that numbered nine brothers and sisters. Lew was the "baby."

Relatives in Trenton, N.J., have been trying futilely to get in touch with Paulie Walker, former welterweight boxer, who was last heard of working "somewhere in Wall Street." They want to notify him that he is now a grandpappy of a baby girl, born last November 1.

Obituary dispatches have been coming in all too profusely of late. Among the latest is a report of the passing of Chicago's grand old-timer, Ike Bernstein, at 90. Ike, active in boxing for more than 60 years, was identified with many headliners during his long association with the sock market. He was connected with Packey McFarland for much of that dazzling performer's career. Ike's last important protege was Bob Satterfield, the socking Chicago light-heavy of the '50s.

Another grand old-timer to pass was Jigger McCarthy, long-time citizen of Connecticut, who died in East Haven. We wouldn't know Jigger's

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## ELECT MOORE, GAVILAN, BURKE, LEVINSKY TO HALL OF FAME

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in 11), Burke had to survive three hours and 166 rounds to defeat Bill Fitzmaurice on June 9, 1829. In his next outing, on August 25 of that year, he suffered his first defeat when, after two hours, fifty minutes and 111 rounds, he lost to Bill Cousens.

Not discouraged by that defeat, Burke promptly embarked upon another winning campaign, and was unbeaten for ten years, accounting for eight victories when he decided to visit the United States in 1836. On May 6 of that year he fought Samuel O'Rourke in New Orleans, and was winning when O'Rourke's gang of hoodlums broke into the ring in the third round and the Deaf 'Un had to scamper to safety. He checked out for New York and on August 21, 1837, beat Tom O'Connell in ten rounds at Hart's Island.

Following this triumph, Burke returned to England and a match with Bendigo was arranged for 1838, but it didn't materialize. The following year, however, the rivals hooked up, and Burke lost on a disqualification in ten rounds.

Again, defeat failed to discourage him, and he resumed his ring campaign in 1840 when he clashed with Nick Ward. The bout lasted two hours and 17 rounds when cold weather, rain and Ward's cohorts broke up the fight when Burke was winning. A claim of foul by Ward's handlers was allowed two days later.

Although he was already suffering from the early stages of tuberculosis, Burke continued fighting, but called it a career after winning from Bob Castles in 37 rounds on June 13, 1843. His illness had reached a critical stage by then, and a year and a half later, on January 8, 1845, he died.

Although his complete record has never been available, Battling Levinsky, top man of the "Old-Timers", is often credited with having been the busiest performer in major boxing annals. Nobody knows exactly how many bouts Bat had, but it has been variously estimated at between 400 and 500.

Levinsky, born Barney Lebrowitz, but adopting the *nom de ring* "Barney Williams," began fighting in his native Philadelphia in 1906, but until 1910 no authentic record of those four early years had ever been compiled by or for him.

Bat operated as "Barney Williams," a middleweight, until 1913, when Dan Morgan took hold of him.

In the years from 1913 until he retired in 1929, Bat engaged in over 200 bouts, and established a unique record for a holiday when, on New Year's Day, 1915, he engaged in three bouts in different localities, boxing no-decision bouts with Bartley Madden in Brooklyn in the morning and Soldier Kearns in Manhattan in the afternoon, then hopping the train for Waterbury, Conn., and a draw with Gunboat Smith at night.

On October 24, 1916, "Levinsky" was recognized as light-heavyweight champion when he outpointed Jack Dillon in Boston, and he retained the title until October 12, 1920, when he was knocked out by Georges Carpentier in Jersey City.

When he retired from ring competition after losing to Herman Wiener in 1929, Levinsky settled down in his native Philadelphia, and died there February 12, 1949, at the age of 58.

Gavilan, born in Camaguey, Cuba, on January 6, 1926, was 17 when he embarked upon his professional ring career in Havana. Success was instantaneous, not only in his native Cuba but in the United States when he arrived in New York in 1947. He became a strong contender for the world welterweight title, then held by Ray Robinson, but "Sugar Ray" twice turned back his bids for the championship, first in a non-title bout in New York, then in a title fray in Philadelphia. When Robinson relinquished the welterweight title after acquiring the middleweight laurels, Gavilan competed in an elimination tourney and was recognized as champion after decisioning Johnny Bratton and Billy Graham in Madison Square Garden in 1951. The Kid was a busy champion, defending the title against Bobby Dykes in Miami, Graham again in Havana, Gil Turner in Philadelphia, Chuck Davey in Chicago, Carmen Basilio in Syracuse and Bratton again in Chicago, but eventually lost on a highly disputed decision to Johnny Saxton in Philadelphia on October 20, 1954.

Moore established himself as one of the most remarkable performers the ring has yet produced. Nobody, not even Archie himself, knows exactly what his age is. He has given his birthplace and date as Collinsville, Ill., December 13, 1916, but his mother says it was Benoit, Miss., and three years earlier. Whichever is right, Moore, starting as a welterweight in 1936, and functioning successively as middleweight, light-heavyweight and heavyweight, operated in the ring for thirty years, fought all over the world, packed in a total of 229 bouts, and retired in 1965 as the world light-heavyweight champion. He compiled one of the most impressive punching records in boxing history, finishing with a total of 141 knockout triumphs.

After chasing unsuccessfully for nearly two decades for a crack at a world title, Archie finally was accommodated on December 17, 1952, when Joey Maxim staked the light-heavyweight laurels against him in St. Louis. Moore won the decision and the championship. He had two cracks at the heavyweight championship, losing to Rocky Marciano in New York in '55 and Floyd Patterson in Chicago in '56.

A versatile sort, Archie, since quitting the ring, has been involved in many business ventures, and in recent years has been featured in motion picture and television programs.

## THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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hagan ésto, y sigan un buen plan de acondicionamiento, irán a Mexico en las mejores condiciones fisicas y no tendran que experimentar desilusiones como la experimentada durante los Juegos Deportivos Panamericanos, cuando un muchacho puertorriqueño que debió ganar toda las vida, fué derrotado porque se en contraba sobre peso. Y todo ésto despues de haber ganado su primera pelea en el torneo. Cosas como éstas no deben ocurrir.

En Puerto Rico, según Manzanet había ases como Angel Luis Espada, Josue Marquez y otros que saltaron al profesionalismo por no tener la seguridad de que el pais iba a verse envuelto en muchas contiendas de aficionados. En estos momentos hay mas de 500 chiquillos con condiciones por allá. Si recibo la designación del Comite Olimpico, y me dejan trabajar desde temprano, estoy seguro de que cuando lleguemos a Mexico el nuestro será el team que habra que derrotar."

Manzanet, que tiene conocimientos de todos los deportes, pues una vez fué centerfielder regular de uno de los equipos de la ciudad que le vió nacer, trabaja como coach de Chegui Torres y ayuda a su hermano en el gimnasio que éste posee en New York. Habla con entusiasmo de los nuevos prospectos que ha dado el pais al deporte, y garantiza que cuando Chagui y Carlos Ortiz cuelguen definitivamente los guantes, habrá suficiente material para garantizar que Puerto Rico ha de ser uno de los paises mas fuertes en boxeo—amateur y profesional—en toda la America Latina. Y para empezar a demostrarlo, él cree que los Juegos Olimpicos representan un escanario ideal.

## FRAZIER TALKS CLAY BUT HIS TRAINER SAYS "WHOA"!

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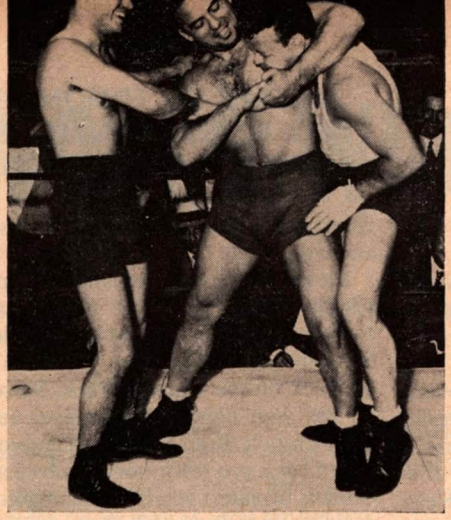
The crowd of 9,100 which included Sonny Liston, saw the Philadelphian demonstrate a bit of everything. Frazier's attack featured left hooks to the body and head.

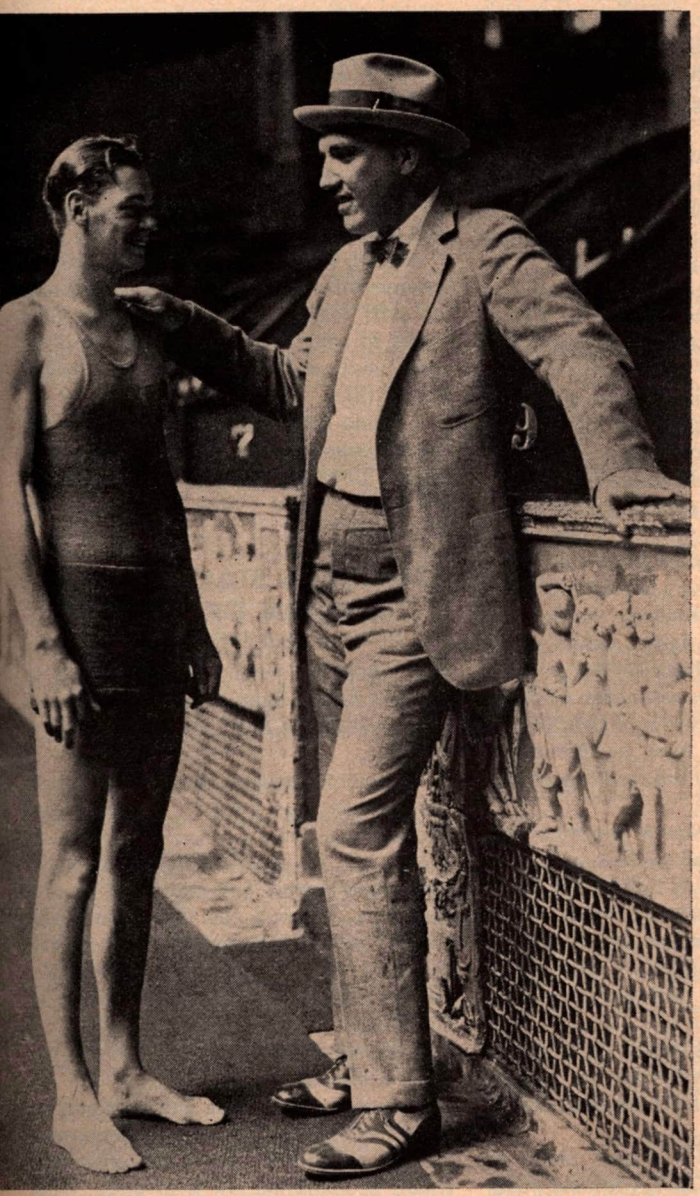
Against Frazier's bore-in style, the vast edge in experience held by Machen meant little. In fact, it was to Eddie's credit and the crowd's amazement that he was off his pins only once. It was the worst licking for Machen.

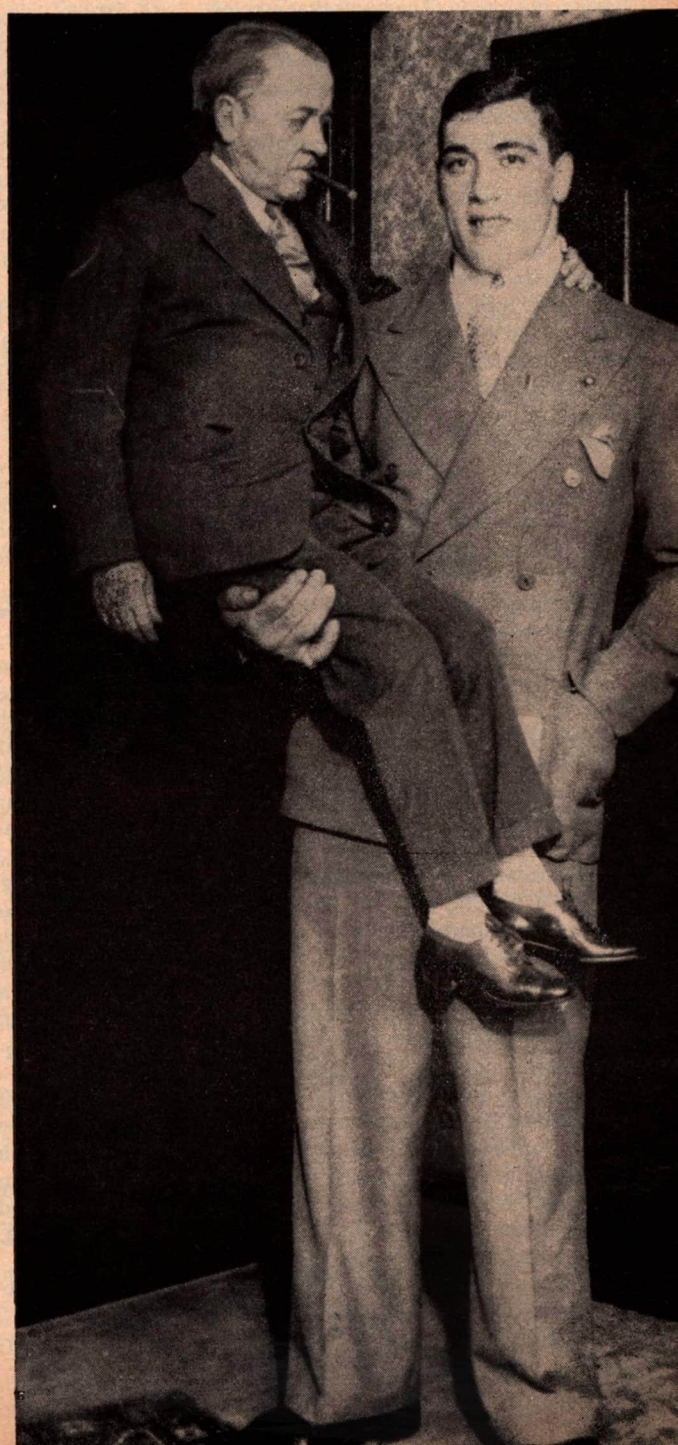
With less than a minute left in the ninth, Frazier cornered the veteran on the ropes and gave him a terrific pounding. When the bell sounded, Eddie had to be carried to his corner by trainer Al Silvani. When he came out for the tenth and final round, Eddie had plenty of courage, but nothing else. Hart stepped in fast after Frazier started off where he had left off in the ninth.

# CANDID HISTORY



This playful trio, circa 1931, consists of (l. to r.) Tony Canzoneri, wrestler Jim Londos and Mickey Walker. Londos and Walker were both training at Orangeburg, N.Y. Jimmy was to defend his mat crown against Ray Steele, while Walker was prepping for Jack Sharkey.





(Above) Meeting at the old Madison Square Garden in 1923 are Johnny Weissmuller, of Tarzan fame, and former heavyweight king Jess Willard. At right is ex-heavyweight champion Primo Carnera holding famed old-time jockey Tod Sloan in one arm in 1933.

## CLAY SHOWED SOCK AS WELL AS SCIENCE

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battle, there were no complaints from the loser's cornermen, when Harry Kessler, referee imported from St. Louis, waved Williams aside and declared Clay the winner.

At the time of the stoppage, the Texan was wobbly, groggy, unable to defend himself against a renewed attack after Williams had gotten to his feet following the fourth knockdown. The punches had struck the challenger with such swiftness, he didn't have a chance to fight back or even defend himself.

Three knockdowns in the second round and one in the third, doubtless changed the opinions of those who had belittled Clay as a champion. The hoots that greeted Cassius when he entered the ring were largely responsible for the speed with which he went out for the kill. The jeers were turned into a thunderous ovation when Kessler held up Clay's hand as the winner.

The huge gathering fully realized when it was all over that Muhammad Ali stands supreme among today's crop of heavyweights, with none shaping up as a possible victor over him in the near future. His workmanship was a reminder of the swift-lashing, powerful Joe Louis barrage that put Max Schmeling away in their second meeting.

Once again did Clay come out of a title defense without a mar on his face.

There are those who argue that the ten years difference in ages, Cleve's fifteen years of ring action, the long hospital siege, the removal of one kidney following his being shot up by a State patrol officer, had much to do with Williams' defeat.

But none of that should detract from the splendid performance of Ali, the best of his career.

I have seen, and been with, Clay on all of his foreign trips, since the Rome Olympic Games, and at no time have I seen him unleash such power as against Williams.

In contrast to other performances, Cassius was a fighting machine in Houston. Once he unlimbered his heavy artillery, he faced a confused, bewildered, floundering opponent, who was baffled by what was taking place. The unexpected had happened and the fans saw a one-sided affair.

Cleveland, a good left hooker, couldn't get that punch across. He tried desperately in the second round when he had his opponent trapped, but to no avail. Clay flitted away, quickly wheeled and slammed home a perfect right that caused the Texan to drop to the canvas.

That punch took Williams and his followers by surprise. He got to his feet and took the mandatory eight count while his seconds kept yelling to him, "get out and jab, jab!"

The Cat walked in, but instead of striking Clay he was caught by a combination left and right that landed flush in the mouth, split his lip and decked him for the second time. He was up at two, but took the mandatory eight count.

Bleeding from nose and mouth as he got to his feet, the challenger went after his tormentor and tossed several punches, none of which hit a target.

As Williams tried to hook one over, Clay shifted to one side and like a flash, landed a left and right that stretched Williams full length on the canvas for the third knockdown. This time Referee Kessler counted to five. Then the bell came to the Texan's rescue.

The two-handed combination was used several times in the final round, each time with effectiveness. Williams, veteran of 71 fights, was spun around with the first punch in the third. He staggered in to meet his rival and again was dropped, this time for a two count, with a left and right to the jaw. When the fight was resumed, he stood facing Kessler.

The challenger could offer no defense as Clay unleashed all he could muster to put an end to the slaughter. He belted away with eight rights and lefts in rapid succession until Kessler interfered.

Pandemonium reigned in the Dome as a rush for the ring was made by Clay's cohorts. It was bedlam, but Cassius enjoyed it.

Williams said, "I didn't know what was going on after Clay smashed his right to my mouth in the second round. I don't remember the other knockdowns."

Asked whether he ever was hit harder, The Cat replied:

"He was not the hardest hitter I've met."

Hugh Benbow, Cleve's loquacious manager, who for weeks built up the fight by harping on what his fighter would do to Clay, now thought otherwise. For days he had predicted Williams would run Clay out of the ring and would win by a knockout in three or four rounds. Now, saddened and gracious, he gave Clay full credit as a fighting champion.

"I kept saying he was a phony, a clay pigeon, but I take it all back. I apologize. He made a sucker out of me and my boy," said Benbow. "He made a believer out of me. He's the real McCoy. I'm now convinced of his punching ability. He's a real champion. Let's not kid ourselves any longer."

A Federal writ was served on Williams for $67,614.62 which his former backer, Bud Adams, owner of the football Oilers, claims is due him.

The court ordered Williams' share of the fight revenue, $92,266, withheld pending a hearing.

Clay received $230,645, to which will be added what is due on the ancillary rights, closed circuit TV and radio.

## NEWARK TO EDMONTON, NEW BOXERS CLAMOR FOR THEIR PLACES IN SUN

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He scored 15 knockouts in 19 bouts as an amateur.

Lloyd began his professional career in 1962, winning three of four bouts. In 1963, he was beset by bad luck. He lost his first three fights that year before he could get back on the winning track. Since then he has won nine in a row over such as Dick French, Brad Silas and Genaro Soto. Lloyd has a pro record of 13 wins and four defeats, his latest win being an eight-round decision over Roland Kellum at Walpole, Mass.

Marshall is a graduate of South Side High School in Newark, where he was an all-around athlete, participating in cross-country, basketball and baseball. He is managed by Angel Pucci and George Branch.

One of the hottest boxers in New England now is Victoria, lightweight born in Puerto Rico and now living in Pittsfield, Mass.

Renaldo joined the Army in 1963 to get his service obligation over with so that he could start an acting career.

Instead, while stationed at Fort Polk, he became interested in boxing and joined the post team. This was the start of a career in which he has won 36 out of 38 bouts, and captured two All-Army lightweight titles.

Renaldo has participated in six professional bouts, winning all. He handed Ronnie Butts his first loss in 17 bouts. He has also defeated Prima Muniz and Lou Anderson.

## DEMPSEY'S STARTLING NEW OPINION OF CASSIUS

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Clay answered when the question as to whether he can take a punch came up in his day after the fight press conference at Houston.

"He avoids clinches. He's strong enough, but nobody gets inside," Dempsey continued.

It is idle to speculate how Clay would have done against any and all of his predecessors. He won the title from Sonny Liston, and he stopped Floyd Patterson, the only former champion still active. Neither ranks high on the all time list of champions.

Williams was hardly a formidable opponent, but there is none.

Dempsey was passing judgment only on Clay the fighter. He was not concerning himself with the controversal activities in which Muhammad Ali is involved. What he saw on the screen was a colorful boxer-fighter.

"I guess we're lucky to have him around," Dempsey concluded.

# WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

## For the Month Ending December 20, 1966

### HEAVYWEIGHTS

Cassius Clay stopped Cleveland Williams, 3, to retain World Heavyweight Title.

Oscar Bonavena kayoed Alberto Benassi, 5. George Chuvalo halted Boston Jacobs, 3, Dave Russell, 2. Joe Frazier stopped Eddie Machen, 10. Eduardo Corletti decisioned Roberto Veliz, 10.

Jimmy Ellis halted Tommy Sims, 1. Ron Marsh stopped Al Jones, 5, Ray Price, 1. Dave Zyglewicz kayoed Ray Vega, 4. Buster Mathis halted Sonny Andrews, 2. Gerhard Zech drew with Juergen Blin, 12.

Jack Bodell beat Sante Amonti, 10. Dante Kane stopped Joe Juvillers, 7. Ed Hurley decisioned Chico Gardner, 8. Curtis Bruce outpointed Cleo Daniels, 8. Willie Besmanoff beat Mike Lanum, 10. Otha Brown won from Willie Johnson, 10.

Ray Anderson stopped Bob Felstein, 5. Alvin Lewis halted Mack Harrison, 3, beat Mert Brownfield, 4. Marcelo Garnica beat Miguel Paez, 10. Buster Mathis halted Johnny Barrazza, 1. Tony Alongi drew with Bill McMurray, 3, (Both suffered cuts). Hank Casey beat Matt Blow, 10.

Aaron Eastling beat Ed Hurley, 10. Max Martinez outpointing Roy Rogers, 10. Kid Longoria beat Charley Hall, 10. Earl Averette outpointed Buddy Moore, 6. Robert Lawson, 4.

Pedro Agosto kayoed Willie Scott, 2, Bill Haderman, 6, Ron Taylor, 1. Jack O'Halloran beat Woody Goss, 4. Jimmy McClain won from Tony Burwell, 6.

Bobby Dennard beat Karl Zurheide, 6. Ray White stopped Buddy Levine, 6. Art Miller beat Bob Lawson, 4. Mike Matousek decisioned Tony Anchando, 8 stopped Ken Calvin, 1.

Bob Avery beat Tony Anchondo, 6. Vic Brown halted Willy Hall, 3. Floyd Swetson decisioned Ernie Charles, 4. Larry Baker outpointed Richie Peters, 4. Pedro Sanchez drew with David King, 4.

### LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Piero Del Papa won on a disqualification over Wilhelm Von Homburg, 11 to retain European Light Heavyweight Title. Don Fullmer beat Bobo Olson, 10.

Bob Dunlop outpointed Young Stanko, 10. Andres Selpa halted Nestor Peralta, 6. Raul Roux beat Jean Tsikuna, 10. Gregorio Peralta kayoed Rene Sosa, 5.

Jack Rodgers stopped Larry McGee, 3. Joe DeNucci kayoed Felix Viera, 1. Pete Riccitelli halted Abe Walden, 6. Marion Connor stopped Greatest Crawford, 9. Rene Durelle stopped Ray Wallace, 1, beat Bob Croxon, 10.

Hurricane Kid halted Pauli Mahoni, 4. Duane Horsman beat Ray Vegas, 8. Larry Buck beat Mike Gross, 6. Gene Romero won from Willie Lee, 4.

Don Weems outpointed Mel Sartin, 4. Rudy Rodriguez decisioned Henry Burton, 5. Gay Qualley won from Johnny Van Duren, 4.

### MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Sandro Mazzinghi stopped Bo Hoberg, 14, to retain European Junior Middleweight Title. Ki-Soo Kim kayoed Yasuo Sato, 4.

Luis Folledo halted Tomasso Truppi, 8, Pedro Votta, 6. Rafael Gutierrez stopped Memo Ayon, 6. Wally Swift stopped Freddie Thomas, 6. Wilbert McClure halted Brad Silas, 2. Jupp Elze beat Jack Johnson, 10. Ansano Lee halted Ben Argonclino, 3.

Gene Bryant outpointed Jesse Armentes, 10. Sugar Boy Nando stopped Gunter Kober, 3. Jimmy Ralston halted Keith Laughenberg, 6. Andy Heilman outpointed Jimmy Lester, 10. Doug McLeod stopped Duane Horsman, 7.

Jim Meuiller outpointed Lennie Sparks, 10. Fred McWilliams beat Carl Moore, 12. Levi Campbell won from David Beckles, 10. Wade Smith decisioned Frank Niblett, 10.

Ron Thompson beat Frank Niblett, 10. Roy Hoskins stopped John White, 3. Bobby Cassidy outpointed Gordon Lott, 10. Jimmy Davidson halted Lou Howard, 5.

Doyle Baird stopped Arnold Bushman, 2, beat Carl Jordan, 4. lost to Tom Shaffer, 6. Tom Prock kayoed Ken Rose, 2. Ray Wilmore beat Nolan Duplessis, 6. Ernie Durelle whipped Walter Arseneault, 6.

Ed McGruder defeated Charley Watson, 6. James Ruffin stopped Jim Davidson, 3. Tom Marshall halted Lenny Buttram, 5. Clyde Williams beat Jerry White, 4.

Henry Burton drew with Rudy Rodriguez, 5. Gay Qualley decisioned Van Druten, 4. Mike Tunney halted Mike Seylor, 6. Dan McAloon beat Julio Nova, 4. Mike Mudd outpointed Charley Lewis, 4.

### WELTERWEIGHTS

Curtis Cokes won the vacant World Welterweight title by outpointing Jean Josselin, 15.

Joe Harris outpointed Jose Stable, 10. Ted Whitfield lost to Pete Toro, 10. Musashi Nakano stopped Eddie Canete, 2. Alejandro Ulloa beat Ovidio Bravo, 10.

Oscar Barzola drew with Hector Cordoba, 10. Jose Paredes won outpointed Miguel Castellini, 10. Antonio Lima kayoed Hilario Suarez, 2. Jose Paz whipped Oscar Barzola, 10. Anibal Di Lella beat Antonio Paez, 10.

Hector Cordoba drew with Juan Perez, 10. Jerry Pellegrini outpointed Dave Morine, 10. Doug McLeod beat Tony Lopez, 10. Howard Meredith decisioned Cylde Williams, 10. Jorge Rosales stopped Carlos Rios, 2.

Larry Adkins beat Burnell Scott, 6. Al Diaz stopped Jimmy Crum, 2. Hedgeman Lewis halted Cal DeJarnette, 2, beat Charley Lewis, 6. John Tutuska beat Rosco Bell, 8.

Burnell Scott decisioned George Sawyer, 6. Ray Christian beat Jackie Holliday, 6. Robert Fau decisioned Robert Valentine, 3. Heneli Sete beat George Thompson, 5.

Willie Munoz stopped Juan Ramos, 2. Mike Holliday beat Jim McGowan, 4.

### JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Sandro Lopopolo beat Joe Africa, 10, non-title. Paul Fujii kayoed Luis Molina, 4.

Willi Quatuor stopped Boulem Belouard, 2. Marcel Cerdan beat Georges Regnier, 8. Jacques Sylvain, 8, Quintino Soares, 8.

Paul Armstead beat Johnny Brooks, 10. Kazuyoshi Kubokura, 10. Carlos Hernandez stopped L. C. Morgan, 2. Bunny Grant decisioned John DePeiza, 10. Herbie Lee beat Percy Pugh, 10.

Al Massey stopped Flash Tomlin, 2. Mario Saurennan beat Ronnie Townes, 6. Larry Youngblood decisioned Tom Prock, 4, lost to Ron Harris, 6, drew with Carl Jordan, 6.

Charles Blevins halted Jessie Corrales, 4. Alton Colter beat Mel Fields, 6. Anthony Gay decisioned Rufus Figaro, 6.

### LIGHTWEIGHTS

Carlos Ortiz kayoed Flash Elorde, 14, to retain World Lightweight Title.

Angel Robinson Garcia stopped Manuel Prieto, 5. George Foster beat Rafin King, 10. Frankie Crawford stopped Fili Espiricueta, 6. Raul Soriano halted Charles Watson, 4. Alfredo Urbina halted Rogelio Reyes, 9.

Victor Melendez outpointed Benito Ortiz, 10. Norm Langford stopped Graham Dicker, 3. Hector Pace beat Juan C. Lima, 10. Enrique Jana outpointed Miguel Coria, 10. Leandro Pereyra whipped Ricardo Lescano, 10. Carlos Aro decisioned Carlos Gutierrez, 10.

Mario Paladino kayoed Zenon Mansilla, 8. Adan Gomez outpointed Juan Diaz, 10. Manuel Arellano halted Alberto Mino, 3. Chango Carmona stopped Charro Gomez, 3. Sergio Sanchez kayoed Jorge Garcia, 5.

Jorge Diaz halted Manolo Mora, 8. Tun-Tun Torres drew with Agustin Chavez, 10. Miguel Hernandez stopped Panchito Marin, 7. Chiquis Rosales beat Fermin Soto, 10.

Leo Noel kayoed Francis Arseneault, 2, beat Tommy Woods, 6, and stopped Don Arseneault, 7. Al Castro kayoed Phil Valentine, 1.

Rugene Parker beat Buen Abulencia, 6. Daniel Gutierrez and drew with Victor Sanchez, 6.

Ray Torres beat Carlos Soto, 4. Denny Stenado outpointed Frankie Leonard, 4.

### JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Jose Legra kayoed Raul Tejera, 2. Narthon, 2, beat Pedro Carvajal, 8. Kid Tano kayoed Celmiro Rios, 4, Renato Senatore, 3.

Beau Jaynes beat Paddy Read, 8. Mundo Ramos outpointed Al Franklin, 10. Pete Gonzalez halted Manuel Villanueva, 1, beat Claudio Adame, 10. Melchoir Gasparin stopped Chamaco Leyva, 1.

Jose Arias kayoed Pulgarcito Villa, 7. Jerry Lott beat Gary Pannell, 4.

### FEATHERWEIGHTS

Carlos Canete kayoed Efran Jiminez, 8. Mitsunori Seki halted Orlando Medina, 2. Richard Sue drew with Vicente Garcia, 10.

Hiroshi Kobayashi decisioned De Rosario Kid, 10. Rokuro Ishiyama beat Suh Soo-Kang, 10. Joey Aguilar beat Ramiro Nides, 10. Oscar Mendez whipped Ricardo Moreno, 10. (Argentina) Rodolfo Gonzalez decisioned Daniel Valdez, 10.

Kouider Meftah beat Mel Cruz, 10. Elias Vargas stopped Rogelio Huitron, 2. Cele Chavez halted Chivito Lazcano, 2. Fernando Sotelo outpointed Hermelindo Mondragon, 10. Chino Vera stopped Mongoi Noguez, 2.

Chano Herrera kayoed Benjamin Velasco, 1. Aurelio Muniz halted Jaime Perez, 5. Rocky Garcia stopped Manuel Arroyo, 4. Edmundo Lara beat Gallito Cisneros, 10.

Jose Martinez decisioned Beto Lara, 10. Silverio Ortiz halted Sugar Camacho, 1. Carlos Vazquez outpointed Luis Molinares, 10. Manolo Jimenez kayoed Joe Albornoz, 1. Rogelio Fernandez halted Moi Torres, 8.

Ardilla Garcia stopped Jesus Lemus, 6. Roberto Wong kayoed Joe Vadez, 5. Carlos Navarrete halted Raton Segura, 2. Gerardo Fernandez stopped Gallito Cisneros, 2. Lupa Lara beat Borrado Zuniga, 10.

Gil Noriega kayoed Eliseo Estrada, 5. Chuy Rodriguez halted Jose Pacheco, 3. Zurdo Pina decisioned Jose Angel Zamora, 10. Ardilla Garcia kayoed Toro Garcia, 5. Ramon Camarena halted Chamaco Hernandez, 5. Raton Palacios lost to Raul Montoya, 10.

Ramon Reyes outpointed Casanovita Aguilar, 10. Gabriel Alvarez beat Santiago Jimenez, 10. Hipolito Hernandez whipped Chamaco Ortiz, 10. Harry Thompson beat Lloyd George, 6.

Richard Alexander stopped Eddie Bell, 3. Lechero Gonzalez halted Mundo Lara, 2. Aurelio Cazares beat Fino Rosales, 10.

### BANTAMWEIGHTS

Mimun Ben Ali kayoed Benny Lee, 5. Lionel Rose outpointed Felipe Gonzalez, 10, Noel Kunde, 15.

Valdomiro Pinto was kayoed by Jesus Castillo, 3. Kamara Diop beat Carl Taylor, 10. Baby Lorona kayoed Al Diaz, 3. Tiny Palacio beat Jet Parker, 12.

Nelson Alarcon kayoed Mario Figueroa, 5. Manuel Barrios drew with Edmundo Esparza, 10. Dumbo Perez outpointed Roberto San Martin, 10. Ray Vega halted Grillo Duran, 3. Pepe Mota beat Juan Ruiz, 10.

Rafael Herrera won from Alfredo Meneses, 10. Gustavo Sosa outpointed Pedro Torres, 8. Hector Vazquez beat Fernando Tiscareno, 10. Rogelio Lara won from Arturo Zambrano, 10.

Lenny Brice stopped Juan Baez, 9. Ricardo Arredondo halted Ray Garcia, 9, Raul Anaya, 3. Chuy Rocha kayoed Apolinio Reyna, 8. German Bastidas decisioned Manuel Flores, 10.

Jerry Stokes beat Cuervo Salinas, 10. Jorge Gomez outpointed Torito Silva, 10. Antonio Lead kayoed Samuel Castillo, 6. Roberto Alvarez halted Doroteo Lara, 4.

### FLYWEIGHTS

Walter McGowan kayoed Jose Bisbal, 5, non-title. Chartchai Choinoi stopped Terry Go, 8.

Katsuyoshi Takayama beat Puntip Keosuriya, 12, Toshinobu Tsukamoto, 10. Salvatore Burruni outpointed Spider McNorthey, 10. Kiyoshi Tanabe drew with Yuzo Narumi, 10.

Roberto Vazquez stopped Rene Arellano, 2. Juan Magallanes halted Gregorio Ramirez, 1. Eduardo Alvarado beat Juan Cruz, 8. Nemesio Zenil drew with Marcelino Luna, 8.

Halcon Ruiz stopped Lupe Gonzales, 4. Genaro Gonzalez kayoed Pavita Torres, 7. Julio Segura halted Elias Aliva, 5. Juan Peralta stopped Leoncito Hernandez, 5.

Jorge Berzunza kayoed Rayito Zozaya, 2. Ramiro Garcia beat Chuco Garcia, 10. Chamaco Cetina halted Baby Suarez, 4. Baby Terranova decisioned Leoncito Hernandez, 10.

Pedro Velazquez whipped Chamaco Castillo, 10. Ruben Olivares stopped Rafael Macias, 5. Baby Mendicuti outpointed Ernesto Gallardo, 10. Blas Arellano beat Enrique Constantino, 4.

## "HOW I WOULD HAVE CLOBBERED CLAY"

*(Continued from page 6)*

sparring partners I could buy. I would need quick targets to speed up my hands for a fast opponent like Clay, and I would feel real sorry for those boys by the time we were through.

Clay has his own ideas about sparring. Me too. There would be no horsing around. I never did pull punches with sparmates. Fighting was my business, and a man shouldn't play games in business hours. If I were training to whip Clay, my partners would go home bruised and busted up round the body, even from big gloves. Anyone who couldn't take it would be out, long before fight night.

And if I was boss in camp I'd aim to be boss in the ring, where the gloves come smaller. Any man who fights Clay's fight is crazy. With me, Clay would have to fight a Joe Louis fight, my way, all the way.

Which means I would go in to outpunch him rather than try to outbox him. I once thought I could keep up with Billy Conn, and for a long time it didn't take.

I'd see to it that Clay did not stay in ring-centre. Out there, I could be the Patsy on the wrong end of the punishment. No, he'd be hit into those ropes as near a corner as I could get him . . . some place where, from all I've seen, he just does not know how to fight.

If he stayed on the ropes, he'd get hurt. Sooner or later he'd try to bounce off, and when he did he would get hurt more. That's what the fight game is all about.

I'd press him, bang him around, claw him, clobber him with all I'd got, cut down his speed, belt him round the ribs. I'd punish the body, where the pain comes real bad. I know I can still feel the trip-hammers Rocky Marciano hit me with when he knocked me out when he was on the way up and I was on the way out.

Clay would have welts on his body like I did. He would ache, like I did. His mouth would shut tight against the pain and there would be tears burning his eyes. It is not very funny being under fire from body punches, and it wouldn't help Clay any looking for his trainer, Angelo Dundee, to come riding into the ring with a rescue posse.

Those guys in the corner fight good during the intervals, but they can't give you any more fists or any more heart when some guy's caving your ribs in.

"Kill the body and the head will die" Chappie used to tell me. It figures.

Sooner or later, I think Clay would get the message. Get it so good that he'd stop worrying about that face of his and drop his left hand like he did against Mildenberger and George Chuvalo. Those fellows got their opening by accident, and then fouled it up. I would work for it, and I wouldn't reckon to miss when it arrived.

If I goofed with a world title and a million dollars or so in the pot—plus all that television money these days—then I would not have any right to be in there with a smart fighter like Cassius Clay.

But only smart so far. Clay coming out of a corner all confused, busted up from body punches, would be a sucker for any opponent waiting for him with a shot in the locker. I'd be waiting, ready with something hot.

I haven't got around to figuring what kind of punch I'd send in for the pay-roll, but I learned several in my day. A one-punch fighter is only half a fighter. Take away his hammer and he's nothing. You have to be properly equipped.

When I won my title from Jim Braddock, I cut Jim's lip with a left hook, but that was only by way of preparation for the pay-off. When his legs began to wobble, I put my whole body behind a right to the jaw and Jim dropped on his face for good-bye.

Maybe I could hit Clay with that kind of right. It takes all sorts, like in my second fight with Max Schmeling. A right to the jaw gave Max a three-count; he took two more from a one-two combination; then I threw a straight left jab and a right cross for keeps. But all these counts started from a right to the ribs after Max had bounced off the ropes with his legs in a mess.

I owed Max a thing or two. After he beat me two years earlier, I spent lots of time studying his style before I discovered he was a sucker for a left jab.

I honestly feel I could have turned the same kind of trick against Clay, but my feelings don't predict which round. Only poets go around predicting.

I was prepared to travel all the way against Schmeling, but I got my chance to tag him in one. Contrariwise. I was hoping for a quick kill in my first fight with Billy Conn on the New York Polo Grounds.

But I came in too light, and Billy breezed along so fast he nearly took my title. Too bad he finally decided to slug it out, like I hoped he would, and got his face all mixed up with my right in the 13th.

If I was fighting Clay, I would aim to be ready with the big one any time, from Round One to Round Fifteen.

In London and most other places I go, people always ask me how Clay would have come through against my old opponents, and we kick the thing around, arguing this way and that.

I think Jersey Joe Walcott would have outgeneralled him. Clay is faster, but old Joe had better style and better brains. When he dropped his left hand it wasn't a mistake. It was to feint you on to a right hand that could bring the roof on your head.

Billy Conn was like lightning. He learned his trade in the small clubs, from welter right through to heavyweight. He could have kept up with Clay because his legs knew where they were going. Only thing is Clay and Conn would have been running away from each other so fast that there would have been no fight.

Clay I think would have hit too fast for Jim Braddock and would have had too many moves for Max Baer. Maxie packed a punch but never paid enough attention to learning his business the hard way; in camp and round the clubs.

Schmeling could have taken Clay with his right, same way he took me when I forgot to keep my left up after I'd jabbed with it in our first fight.

But, of all my old opponents, the one to give Clay the worst time, would have been Rocky Marciano. The Rock didn't know too much about the boxing book, but it wasn't a book he hit me with. It was a whole library of bone crushers.

If Marciano caught up with him, I figure Clay would get discouraged and start looking for Angie Dundee to cut his gloves off.

Nobody ever beat Marciano, and I was wrong when I thought I was still young enough to know how. I could be wrong about Clay as well, but it's good to forget the calendar once in a while and dream up ways of whipping the man who wears your old crown.

Once I happened to walk along when Clay was hollering "I am The Greatest!" to some fellows outside the Theresa Hotel in Harlem. When he saw me, Clay came over and shouted to the crowd: "This is Joe Louis. *WE* is The Greatest!"

That was nice. Cassius Clay is a nice boy and a smart fighter. But I'm sure Joe Louis could have licked him.

## VICTORY OVER LINCOLN REVEALED NEW PERSOL AS RING BALLET MASTER

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did on Cleve Williams further exposes the helplessness of big slow men against the lightning footed, and fast fisted, titleholder.

At 172 lbs. Billy Conn, a paragon of speed and skill, gave Joe Louis his toughest opposition during the Brown Bomber's heyday. Persol, about the same size as Billy, and currently the closest thing to him for quickness might give Cassius as much trouble as Conn did Louis back in 1940. Conn was unusually rugged for a small man. Persol's chin apparently is not that strong and Clay has shown he can punch when he wants to.

Clay's great asset is his speed and in this department Persol isn't far behind him. Clay's weight and power advantages appear to be too much for Johnny, but even Cassius does not figure to use the swift stepping Brooklyn boy for target practice.

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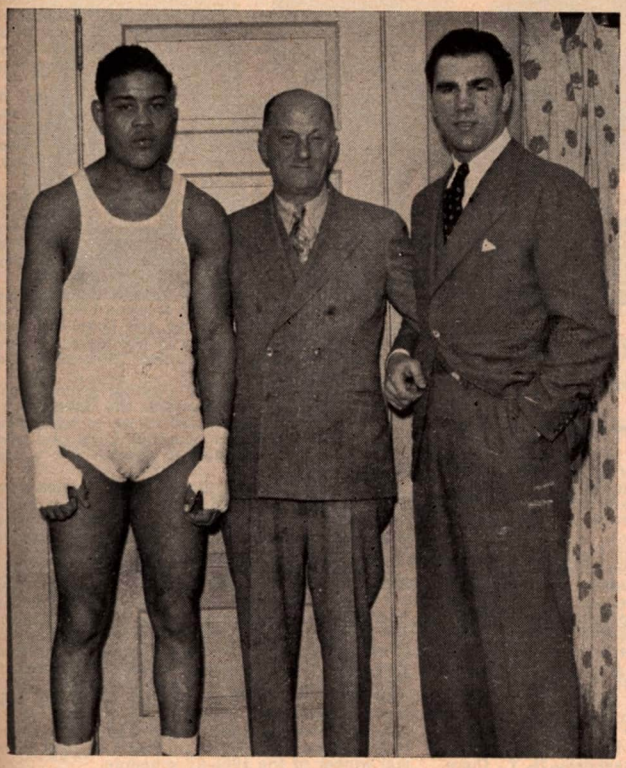
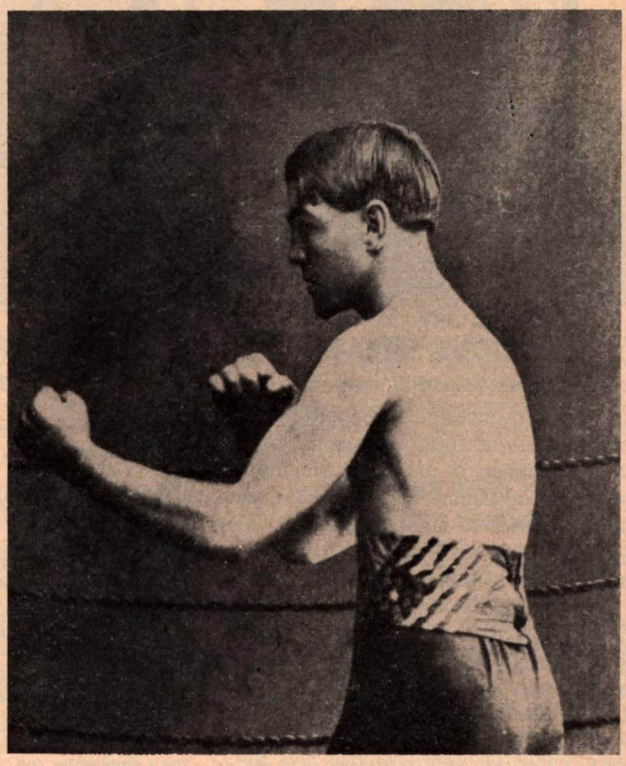


Mike Jacobs, renowned promoter of Madison Square Garden with Joe Louis, left, and Max Schmeling, right, reflects the inside on some of the most glorious days of boxing in the book:—"The Jacobs Story," written by Dan Daniel, Associate Editor of The Ring.



Terry McGovern won the bantamweight and featherweight titles before reaching his twentieth birthday and was washed up at twenty-two. The book, "Terrible Terry," written by Ring Editor Nat Fleischer, reveals the story of his fast life outside the ring which cut short his career.

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**Among those in attendance at VBA Ring 21's Sixth annual Dinner and Dance were: (l. to r.) rear—Stanley Poreda, Sammy Markowitz, Charlie Weise, Billy Metz and Tony Dallas; front—Sammy Mosberg and Sam Taub.** Photo by Don Francione

## NEW YORK SUFFERS SERIOUS SETBACK

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a tremendous investment. Behind the construction are a fresh interest in boxing among members of the board which operates Madison Square Garden, and a spectacular renewal of boxing concern in New York, in other parts of the USA, and, in fact, the world over.

Even before opening the new arena, the Garden corporation, seeking its first world championship heavyweight contest in that arena since September 21, 1955, when Rocky Marciano knocked out Archie Moore in the ninth round, finds itself outbid by Houston, and its future as a major boxing entity beclouded.

It is ironical that little old New York, cradle of boxing on this side of the Atlantic, cannot offer an indoor arena with anything like the 60,000 seats of the Houston Astrodome or, outdoors, an approach to the 100,000 of the Los Angeles Coliseum.

Supporting the Houston position is the huckster angle. The New York area has more than ten million spenders for television-plugged products. It is to the interest of the sponsors to keep New York blacked out as far as world heavyweight championship bouts are concerned.

The Garden must wrestle with problems galore if, as intended, much of its annual revenue is to come from big league boxing.

Of a sudden, Pop Knickerbocker must swallow his chagrin while a city down in Texas kicks him in the slats. Poor Pop!

To think that not so long ago most New Yorkers knew Houston only as a street, which they call How-ston.

## VBA RING 21 NEWS
### *By Don Francione*

**The Veteran Boxers Assn. of Ring 21, Brooklyn, held its Sixth Annual Dinner and Dance Celebration recently at Club 802 in Brooklyn.** Honored guests Phillie Gillespie, Jackie Snyder, Chick McCormack and Walter Unger received handsome plaque citations.

Master of ceremonies Sam Taub and first vice president Charlie Varre, introduced Judge Beatrice M. Judge, Hon. Mark Constantino, Congressman Hugh L. Carey, Assemblyman Joseph Rinaldi and Paul Berenbach, president of Ring 21, and former light heavyweight champion of the world. Seated at the writer's table was Petey Scalzo, Sammy Venti, Alex Kalaf, Scoop Gallello and Samuel Goldberg, who fought under the name of Young McGowan. Sam is president of Ring 8.

Frankie O'Gatty, brother of the late Packey O'Gatty, and Nick Beni, ex-fighter and owner of the Lamplighter Inn, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., there. We met Sam Mosberg, who won the Olympic lightweight title in 1920 and Tommy Loughran, light heavyweight champion from 1927 to 1929. Ring 21's Edward Manning of Staten Island, N. Y., who fought under the name of Johnny Glynn, passed away recently. He boxed such fine men as Phil and Hughie McGovern and Italian Joe Gans among others. . . . We would also like to send our deepest sympathies to John R. Crews, Republican Chairman, on the loss of his sister Mrs. Elsie Bonna, who passed away suddenly. . . .

## IN WABASH LAKE, LABRADOR
### *By Ross McCallum*

**The first pro progam sponsored by the newly formed Wabash Boxing Club at the Wabash Recreation Center was a success.**

In the feature, Bill Drover, Newfoundland heavyweight champion, scored a knockout over Phonse Lasaga in the second round.

The preliminaries were all amateur bouts. The attendance was 800 and the receipts amounted to $2350. The club plans one program each month and would like to hear from managers eager to have their boys appear in Labrador.

The amateur winners were Bob Rayworth, featherweight; Oierce Johnson, heavyweight; Eric Chaulk, feather and Albert Sommerville, a middleweight.

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## SEEN AND HEARD

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age, but it must have been in the 80s. During his long association with boxing, McCarthy specialized in refereeing, and handled several world championship bouts in the Nutmeg State during the '20s and '30s.

Still another obit item reported the death of Sammy Schiff, popular East Side lightweight of the '20s. Schiff, a southpaw, acted as a sparring partner for Benny Leonard when the latter prepped for his two historic battles with Lew Tendler.

**NEW YORK'S MONTH THAT WAS.** Ring activity perked up somewhat, with three cards at Sunnyside Garden and a world title match (lightweight) in Madison Square Garden. Another championship offering (middleweight) in M.S.G. was twice postponed, first because of a virus attack suffered by the challenger, Joey Archer, then by a foot injury to the champion, Emile Griffith.

Topping the first of the three programs at Sunnyside, Irish Bob Cassidy, 159¾, Levittown, L.I., was a unanimous winner in eight rounds over a highly-touted visitor and former Olympian from the Argentine, Celedonio (The Cat) Lima, 160, making his first start in a U.S. ring.

Three knockdowns in the early going got Cassidy off to a big lead, but the Long Island southpaw had some troublesome moments with his aggressive opponent in the closing sessions, and was warned a couple of times by Referee Teddy Martin for holding.

The first knockdown was registered late in the opening stanza, when a left dropped Lima against the ropes. In the next frame, two lusty lefts sent the Argentino down again. In the fourth, a combination punch-push accounted for Lima's third trip to the canvas.

From then on, a tiring Cassidy seemed content to coast along and outbox the South American, who appeared puzzled trying to solve Irish Bob's southpaw modus operandi. Lima said later it was the first time he had tangled with a left-hander.

The decision gave Cassidy an overall won-drew-lost record of 25-1-4 in four years, while Lima, fighting professionally about the same length of time, suffered his second defeat against 10 wins and 6 draws.

In supporting sixes, Carmelo Hernandez, 153¾, Bronx Puerto Rican, returned to ring action after a hitch in the U. S. Army, and whipped Danny Andrews, 155, Astoria, L.I.; Bob Harrington, 164½, Augusta, Ga., decisioned Gene Tapia, 162, Puerto Rico, and Billy Jose Pickett, 136, Puerto Rico, won from Bobby Little, 136, West Side. In the opening four, Herbert Brown, 151, Woodhaven, L.I., had the better of Joe Velasquez, 156, Puerto Rico.

The estimated attendance of 1,400 and receipts of $4,000 gave Sunnyside its fourth straight financial winner of the 1966-67 schedule.

**Details of Carlos Ortiz's successful defense of the world** lightweight championship against Gabriel (Flash) Elorde in Madison Square Garden are reported elsewhere in this issue by Nat Loubet.

Puerto Ricans again dominated the supporting card, with seven of the eight performers. The only non-islander on the program was transplanted Scotsman Danny McAloon, 148, operating out of the Bronx and Freeport, L.I. He won from Julio Novoa, 153, in one of two fours.

In the semi-final ten, unbeaten Victor Melendez, 134, repeated a previous win over Benito Ortiz, 130½, but he had rough going all the way and the decision in his favor was close. Melendez scored well with left hooks but Ortiz put a fast right counter to good use.

An old-fashioned back-alley brawl, scheduled for six, was halted at the end of the second, Willie Munoz, 150, getting credit for a k.o. over Juan Ramos, 144, who had suffered a badly torn lip. The crowd liked the fight and gave voice to noisy disapproval when it was stopped.

In the other four, Ray Torres, 135, decisioned Carlos Soto, 132½.

Miserable weather—near-freezing cold, gusty winds and an all-day rain—was held responsible for the disappointing turnout, announced as 9,120, with the box-office statistics $47,957. No mention was made of the TV revenue, but it hadly could have been sufficient to erase much of the load of red ink splashed across the Garden's ledgers.

**A special Report on the Testimonial card staged at Sunnyside** Garden for critically ill Barney Ross also appears elsewhere in this issue. Incidentally, we know of no other form of professional athletic endeavor that does as much for its own as boxing. It was only a few months ago that Veteran Boxers Association Ring 1 of Philadelphia did a terrific job in promoting a fund-raising card for another ailing former world champion, Marty Servo, also on the critical list in a Colorado hospital.

Just as we were going to press with this issue, an obituary dispatch from Holyoke, Mass., reported the passing of Meyer Cohen, 62, prominent welterweight of the '20s.

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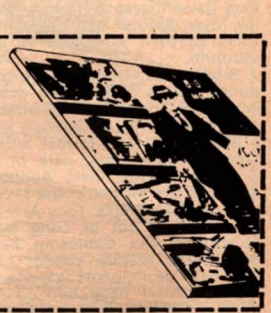


## WONDER BOY MANDO RAMOS MAKES IT THIRTEEN IN ROW

*By Don Fraser*

**LOS ANGELES, CAL.—Wonder Boy Ramos won almost every round from stocky Al Franklin of Minneapolis in collecting his 13th straight win in another Olympic Auditorium Show.**

The 19-year-old from Long Beach landed his best punches, but failed to score a knockdown. Franklin, who launched his fight career in Oklahoma City in 1958, was pitching all the way and made the teenager work.

Ramos was too fast and too busy, and hit too hard. He weighed 133; Franklin, 131½. The scoring went like this: Referee Dick Young, 14-1; Judges Tommy Hart, 13-1, Joe Olmos, 12-0.

Though the show was televised locally, it attracted 4100 fans and a gate of $7450.

▸ **At WOODLAND HILLS,** after a week's delay, boxing in the Valley Music Theater finally got under way with an international main event. Dwight Hawkins, 124½, Los Angeles, displayed his punching power to Japan's Osamu Miyashita, 121.

Hawkins, who deserves action against the top featherweights, won the first two rounds with his aggressive style. Going into the third, the Nipponese stunned Dwight with a left hook to the chin. The "Hawk" quickly recovered and buried a left hook into Miyashita's mid-section. The latter took a full five minutes to recuperate. A heavy rain kept the crowd down to 1200. The gate was $8600.

▸ **At SAN BERNARDINO,** two Mexican nationals, Rudy Corona, Sonora, and Raton Perez, Acapulco, battled for the California bantamweight title in a neat little arena.

After 12 blistering rounds, Corona, 117½, retained his championship via a unanimous decision. The 1300 fans cheered the game Perez as he warded off numerous flurries. Perez was decked in the seventh for a short count.

▸ **At MODESTO,** Charlie Shipes, 145, California welterweight claimant, had little trouble with Mexico's Polo Corona, 147. Shipes was giving the Latin a solid pasting when the tussle was halted in the seventh.

▸ **SACRAMENTO** saw Jackie King return to the promotional field with a heavyweight main event between Zora Folley and San Francisco's Henry Clark.

Folley was much too smart and had too much authority for young Henry. It was a unanimous 10 round decision for Zora, who weighed 207. Clark was 210½ and King was happy with a $7,400 gate.

▸ **Now, back to LOS ANGELES.** Formerly of Guadalajara, Mexico, but now a resident of Long Beach, Rodolfo Gonzales, 127½, won a lively 10-rounder from Daniel (Zorrito) Valdez, 127½, at the Olympic. There were no knockdowns. Gonzales took seven of the 10 rounds.

▸ **At STOCKTON,** Rollie Penaroya, 118½, a recent arrival from the Philippines, bombed out game Pimi Amador, 120, in the third round of the scheduled 10.

▸ **At LOS ANGELES,** San Pedro's middleweight hopeful, Andy Heilman, returned from a trip to Hawaii to handle Jesse Armenta, Obregon, Mexico, in the 10 round feature at Olympic. Heilman, who boxed a draw with Stan Harrington in Honolulu, couldn't deck Armenta, but was in command of the situation in the majority of the rounds. Andy weighed 160 so did Armenta.

▸ **At OAKLAND,** it was another quickie for lethal punching Jimmy Lester at the Auditorium. Weighing 157, Lester needed less than a round to dispose of Luis Santa Maria, 158, Mexico. This was Jimmy's second straight one round KO win.

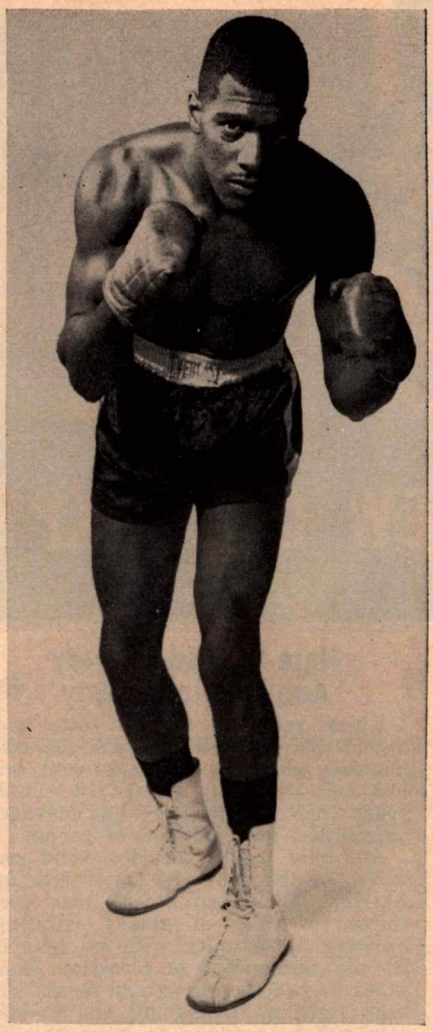
With a $4840 turnout, promoter Don Chargin said he just about broke even.

▸ Unemployment as far as boxing is concerned for most of the year, apparently hasn't dulled Johnny Smith's artillery. The State midleweight king gave Clarence James, Oakland, a good going over before knocking him out in the fifth round of their scheduled 12 at the Olympic Auditorium.

Smith, 156, hit James with just about every punch before putting him down for keeps. Clarence, 158, tried hard and shook Johnny a couple of times but to no avail.

▸ **RICHMOND** saw former army champion Ralph McCoy, 158½, take care of Joe Nardi, 161½, Chicago, at the Civic Auditorium. McCoy was declared the winner in the second round.

▸ **At SACRAMENTO,** Tony Alongi, former Jerseyite now fighting out of Long Beach, took on Bill McMurray, the California heavyweight champ. After three rounds, referee Luis Gonzales ruled that both participants were too severely cut from an accidental head butt to continue. Gonzales came up with a draw verdict.



**SUGAR RAY ANDERSON**

## BUCKEYE NOTES

*By John L. McCafferty*

**Akron, Ohio—Sugar Ray Anderson, Akron, and Bob Felstein, Toronto, headlined Don Elbaum's second show of the fall season at the Akron Armory. Anderson, at 180, pulled off a big upset when he scored a clean knockout over Felstein, 197½, in 31 seconds of the fifth round.**

The Canadian came into town rated as the number one contender for George Chuvalo's Canadian heavyweight crown. Anderson fighting his eighth professional bout, demoralized and dismantled Pretty Boy in 31 seconds of the fifth round.

The first round was even. In the second and third Anderson's boxing skill put him out in front. He gained confidence and landed several good combinations to Felstein's head and body. In the fourth Felstein went down for an eight count from a vicious combination to the head. He got up and lasted out the round but it was the beginning of the end.

Anderson came out fast in the fifth and landed a hard left to the body and a terrific right to the jaw and it was all over. It took Felstein's handlers five minutes to get Bob on his feet.

Felstein was not at all satisfied with his poor showing and asked for a rematch. He did not get any satisfaction from the Anderson Camp and ran an ad in the Akron Beacon-Journal challenging Anderson. The ad read:

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**"Pretty Boy" Felstein**

▸ At Canton, in the main event Marion Conner stopped Greatest Crawford of New York in nine. Crawford died after the fight in a Canton hospital.

## BOXING FROM MIAMI

*By Hank Kaplan*

**Miami Beach, Fla.—The Al Jones-Archer Ray match having been cancelled for reasons of one sort or another, Chris Dundee dug up Willie Besmanoff, the comebacker, (208), and Mike Lanum, (195¾).**

Besmanoff got a split decision but the customers hollered, and with good reason. Lanum was putting on his fourteenth fight, Willie was starting his twenty-second year in the boxing business. Lanum used his left, Willie belabored the body.

Comeback, Otho Brown, 182, Miami, was too fast and clever for Willie Johnson, 184¾, Boynton Beach, and copped a ten rounder by unanimous vote.

In a good sixer, undefeated Larry Adkins, Cincinatti, 147, took a unanimous duke over Burnell Scott, 143, Cocoa. This was Adkins' sixth straight here as a pro.

▸ Visiting with us for several days was former British featherweight champion Bobby Neill, a Scot who reigned as kingpin for two years, 1959-1960. With Bobby was his latest protege, a good looking heavyweight named Terry Daly. Bobby also manages the bantam and middleweight champions of England, Alan Rudkin and Johnny Pritchett, and Brian McCaffrey, welterweight. His pride is former ABA welter champ Peter Cragg, who has won 3 straight by K.O. as a pro.

Joe Nardi, Chicago middleweight who was crowd-pleaser here for 6 bouts, was a second round K.O. victim of Ralph McCoy, of Southern California, the bout took place at Richmond. . . . Joe Pennock of Bradenton, Fla., former welterweight champ of Carlson's Raiders, a legendary Marine Unit of World War 2, is managing Lennox Beckles, welterweight champion of British Guiana.

Lou Gutierrez, Managua, was a recent winner over Mike Zeledon in Nicaragua via the TKO route in round 9.

A heavyweight Puerto Rican, a rarity, is Pedro Sanchez who is under the guidance of trainer Ritchie Riesgo . . . On the recent Cassius Clay-Doug Jones exhibition show in Louisville, Don Lutz, Miami middleweight beat Bob Reilly, Chicago, in a 6 rounder. Jimmy Ellis, Clay's sparring mate, put the quietus on Eddie Dembry in the first round. . . . Santo Menendez, Cuban lightweight who campaigned in Spain and Mexico, is back in this territory.

Felix Fernandez, Santo Domingo feather, has established residence in the U. S. for himself and family and will soon continue his fistic progress.

## PLAN BOXING IN NEW ARENA AT SAN DIEGO

*By Tays D. Cool*

**San Diego, Cal.—Interest in boxing around here is developing fast. Enthusiasm is attributable to the weekly televised shows in Los Angeles and Las Vegas, where local fighters appear regularly and in the shows being staged in Tijuana.**

One of the brightest items of benefit to boxing is the recent opening of the San Diego Sports Arena which is the dreamchild of a group of local business men headed by Bob Breitbard and is the home of the newly formed professional hockey San Diego Gulls.

The National AAU boxing Championships are scheduled in this 15,200 seat arena April 6, 7, and 8, sponsored by The San Diego Evening Tribune. The arena manager, Les Land, says they are planning professional boxing shows there in the near future. Plans are to stage bouts once a month, leaning towards international competition as there is a potential draw of half a million people just to the south and it is only a little over an hour's drive from Los Angeles. Also, there is San Diego's million plus population.

Some of this excitement is rubbing off on our local boxers. Tevel Holman, heavy hitting San Diego middleweight, is back in training after a year's layoff. Veteran middleweight Charlie Austin has recently moved here from Phoenix and is looking forward to renewed action. Another very fine prospect in the area is welterweight Junior Robles, with a 7 and 1 record.

Junior can fight either right or left handed and recently got a good win over Charlie Watson, of Phoenix, in five rounder in Las Vegas.


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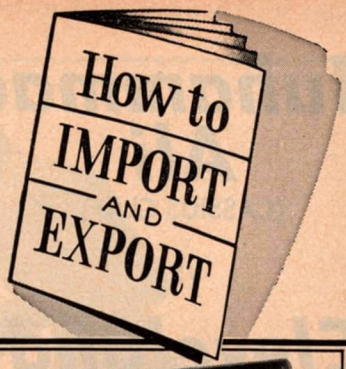


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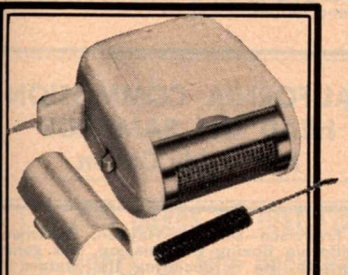

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## ALONG THE VBA TRAIL
### *By Jack Larkin*

**The Lodi Boys Club of Lodi, N.J., has started a series of Jr. Amateur bouts and held their first bouts recently with a crowd of 600 attending. Eight bouts and one wrestling match made up the program.**

Johnny "Kid" Troy, former Veteran Boxer, is the coach of the Lodi Boys club. With the help of Nickie Lyons, Al Santora and Al Centismo, they put on a good show. Johnny Lattanzio is the director of the Lodi Boys club and also acted as announcer. A trophy was given to the outstanding boxer of the evening by National VBA Pres. Jack Larkin, to Frankie Carmasiol, of Garfield, N.J. Former Jr. Welterweight champion Tippy Larkin, Charlie Fusari, Two-Ton Tony Galento, Steve Hamas, Alex Doyle, Joey Harrison, Charlie Blood and Joey Biss attended as guests.

Ring #9, of Passaic and Bergen Counties is sponsoring welterweight Baby Andrus, who has won his first two bouts at the New York Youth Center, N.Y. He has defeated Frank Lishman and Ed Zamarck. He is being trained at the Market Street Gym in Paterson, N.J., by members of Ring #9.

Robert Biss, son of the former welterweight contender of the 20's, is a school teacher in the Garfield, N.J. High School system. Biss graduated from Passaic High School where he starred in football. He finished his schooling at Paterson State Teachers College.

Johnny Rhodes, featherweight amateur boxer, has won his first three bouts, and will box in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Rhodes is from Buffalo, and is being trained by the boys from Ring #44 of Buffalo, N.Y. Ring #44 is the last chapter to join up with the Nat'l Organization. Jim Harkins is the president of that VBA club.

Chet O'Kelly, former lightweight champion of Ohio, who lives in Barberton, Ohio, has been keeping amateur boxing alive in that area. O'Kelly wants to form a Veteran Boxers club. Anyone wishing to join can get in touch with him at O'Kelly's Cocktail Lounge, 110 N.W. 2nd Street, Barberton, Ohio.

Nick Santoro, former lightweight contender of the 20's of Reading, Pa., has been on the Pa. Boxing Commission as a deputy Commissioner since 1940.

Mike Schuman, 1st Sgt-At-Arms for the Nat'l VBA is also on the Pa. Boxing Commission as a deputy. Schuman is one of the most active members of Ring #1, Phila, Pa.

Freddie Kelly, former Philly lightweight contender who had over 300 pro bouts and boxed five world champions, was one of the delegates for Ring #41 of Bucks County at the Nat'l VBA Convention. Freddie, now 75 years old, is very active in VBA circles.

We are glad to hear that Don Smith, member of the WHBA, is out of the hospital and feeling well again. Smith has photos of 3,000 ex-boxers from all over the world. His address is 315 Murray St., Peterboro, Ont., Canada. He is a member of Ring #1, Chicago, Ill.

John F. (Ike) Bonner of the fighting Bonner brothers from Lehigh Valley, Pa., is an Assemblyman in Pennsylvania. Ike fought at the turn of the century. He is a member of the Lehigh Valley Ring #23, Allentown, Pa.

Johnny Coulon, former bantamweight champion from 1907 to 1914, still owns and operates his gym with his wife Marie, in Chicago, Ill. He is a member of Ring #2, of Chicago.

Elected to the NVBA Board of Governors at the annual convention were: Ring #1, Phila. Pa., Clemensu; #4, Boston, Jimmy Rogers; #6 Camden, N.J. Niel McLauglin; #8, N.Y. Izzy Schwartz; #9, Charlie Blood; #12 Austin Johnson; #14, Hudson County, Mickey Esposito; #19, Los Angeles, Calif., Sammy Aaronson; #23, Allentown, Pa., Jack Saurina; #25, Newark, N.J., Lester Fusco; #30 Westchester County, N.Y., Danny Sabia #32 Detroit, Michigan, Tom Briscoe; #33, Portland, Maine, Ernie Buke; #34, Red Bank, N.J., Bob Goldberg; #36, Prescott, Arizona, Dick Bell; #37, Omaha, Neb., Earl Puryear; #38, Dover N.H., Jack Destell; #40, United American, Phila, Pa., Frank Anslim; #41, Bucks County, Pa., Freddie Kelly; #42, Cold Springs, N.Y., Ralph Lyons; #43, Utica, N.Y., Tommy Riggero; #44, Buffalo, N.Y., Freddie Mueller; Nat'l Artist, Battling Odin Dudrich; Nat'l Photographer, Vince Handley.

Awards were given to Abe J. Greene, Henry Schwartz, Pinky Burns, Jack Larkin, Mickey Esposito, Danny Sabia, Teddy Murphy, Corp Izzy Schwartz, Charlie Ettinger, Willie Lamorte, Tony Morgano, and Dr. Max M. Novich. Life Time Honorary members named were Mickey Walker, Tippy Larkin, Bob Montgomery, Rocky Marciano, Johnny Addie, and Bernard Lemisch.

## CALIFORNIA COMMISSION HEAD ON RAMPAGE
### *By Freddy Cohen*

**San Francisco—Douglas Hayden, chairman of the California Boxing Commission, has gone on the warpath. He is declaring the state's independence from all other connections, and even threatens to cut off relations with the New York Commission.**

Ignoring Curtis Cokes and Jean Josslin, Hayden announced that he would recognize the Charlie Shipes-Percy Manning winner as the welter champion. Close students of the situation think Hayden has gone off the track.

Hayden said, "California is the most important boxing center in the country and as such we feel that our voice should be heard. In giving the bout between Shipes and Manning California's blessing it will help boxing in general.

"Manning, who holds wins over some of the best welters in the world, agreed to the Shipes fight and said that he would be willing to meet anybody that was deserving of a chance if he defeated Shipes, who also is a fine fighter. Shipes also is willing to put the title on the line if he wins.

Hayden, also made it known that the working agreement between New York and California would be given a new look because of failure of the New York body to suspend Flash Elorde, for his failure to go through with his bout in Los Angeles at the Olympic Club.

Promoter Aileen Eaton, pressing the Commission for action, was advised by Hayden that the information was sent to the New York body, but the new chairman of the New York Commission had not acknowledged it.

▶ Nate Cohn, legal adviser to Thad Spencer, asked the Commission to declare the recent bout between Spencer and McMurray "No Decision".

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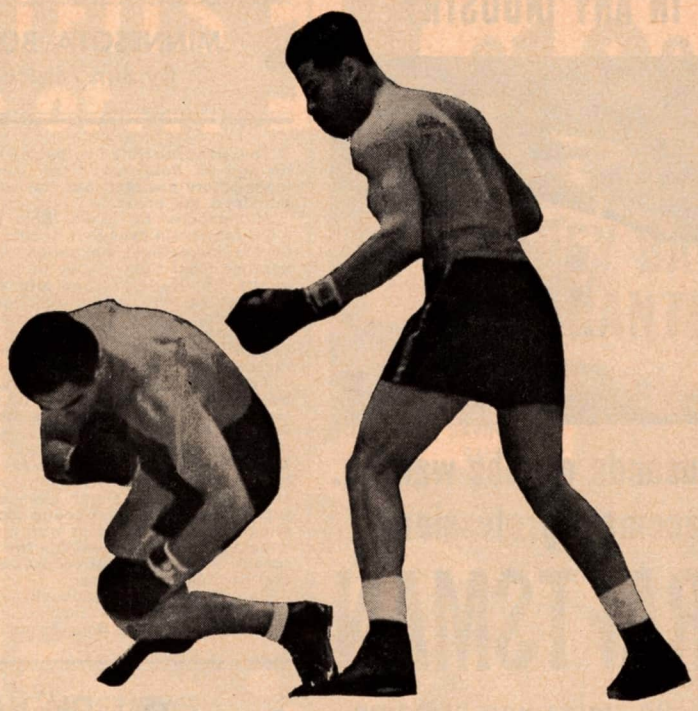

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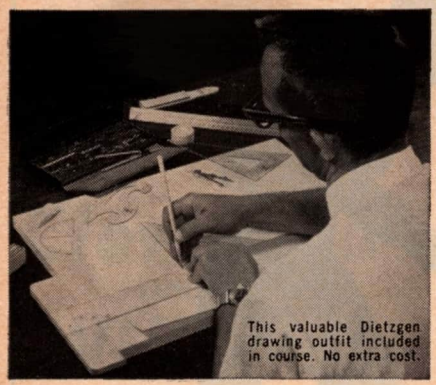

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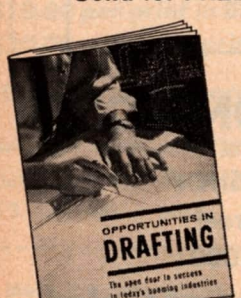


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## MINNESOTA BOXING
### *By Jim Malcolm*

**This past month's two boxing cards in Rochester and St. Paul looked like summer stock. The main actors changed but the supporting players remained the same.**

Minneapolis' Ed (Baker Boy) Hurley, hot from a California win over Don Koontz, put his prestige on the line against inexperienced Aaron Eastling, another local fighter. Cut in the 4th, staggered in the 5th, Hurley turned into a cautious target for Eastling who won a dull fight easily. Duane Horseman, 166, Chatfield, pounded the face of Ray Vega, 176, trying to wipe the smile off it. Vega showed nothing but toughness and a happy masochism in losing this one.

Two years ago Duane Horseman was so badly beaten by Doug McLeod that he retired from boxing. Twenty months later he made a comeback, winning seven straight fights. Horseman wanted promoter Ben Sternberg to get McLeod back to Minnesota hoping to revenge his defeat as a step to a crack at Andy Heilman. Going into the 7th, Horseman had a slight chance of turning the tables. At 1:15 of that round McLeod shot out a stinging left, followed it with a sharp right and knocked Horseman cold for the first time in his career. A dismal night for Horseman, Sternberg, and Rochester fight fans.

Ron Marsh, Minneapolis heavyweight, ran his record to 13-1 at the expense of flabby, and 49 pounds heavier Ray Rice, by KOing him in 1.

## NEWS FROM HAWAII
### *By Ted Yamachika*

**Honolulu—Paul Fujii, 141, scored a fine technical knockout over Louis Molina, 142, in the 4th round in the Honolulu International Center arena.**

It was a torrid affair. For three rounds they fought like wildcats. Fujii did all the stalking but found a willing mixer, who fought back furiously.

The fight was stopped early in the 4th round by Dr. Herbert Nam, due to a cut on Molina's nose which bled profusely. It was apparent that the badly battered Molina could not last more than another round.

Early in the second Fujii shot a steaming right lead to Molina's head. Surprisingly enough he kept landing this same blow, time and time again.

The fight, promoted by the Boxing Enterprises Ltd., was witnessed by 4,572 fans, with gross receipts of $17,910.00.

In another ten round fight, the Hurricane Kid, 168, tko'ed Pauli Mahoni, 165¼, in the fourth round. Mahoni held his own in the first two rounds but once the Kid found the range with his right, it was almost no contest. The Kid dropped Mahoni once in the third and twice in the fourth before the fight was stopped by referee Louis Freitas.

## DOWN ARIZONA WAY
### *By Al Fenn*

**Don Fullmer, brother of ex-champion Gene, made his first ring appearance in Phoenix recently, decisioning Tony Montano in a 10-round bout.**

It was a good fight all the way with Don showing the form that has brought him topflight ranking.

In a good undercard, Eddie McGruder, 150, defeated Charley Watson, 149, in a six rounder. Both are from Phoenix. Charles Blevins, 140, scored a four-round TKO over Jesse Corrales, 141. Mike Matousek, 201, a bright heavyweight prospect, decisioned Tony Anchondo, 192, in the semi-main 8 rounder.

At Las Vegas, ten days later, Montano defeated previously unbeaten Billy Walker via a 10-round decision.

▸ Fred McWilliams, 157½, retained his Arizona middleweight championship at Sportatorium, by winning a decision in 12-rounds over Carl Moore. McWilliams, 25-year-old Phoenix boxer, made it unanimous. Moore, 158½, came on strong in the middle rounds, but McWilliams finished strong after having won the early rounds.

▸ Making his home in Arizona after his army career ends is Vince Chaires. He's at Ft. Campbell now and is called "Mr. Boxing". Keep an eye on Pfc. Jerry S. Evans, Golden Eagle heavyweight boxing champion.

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS
### *By Ruggles Larson*

**BOISE, IDAHO—Boone Kirkman, 198, Renton, Washington, scored a unanimous eight round decision over Archie Ray, 202, Phoenix, Arizona, at the Idaho State Fairgrounds Pavilion, before an estimated 1,600 fans.**

Kirkman, who had scored a win three weeks earlier over Ray, found himself confronted with a more difficult opponent this time. Ray tried to stay in close and bull Boone around. This worked fairly effectively until Kirkman straightened Archie up with some solid right uppercuts in the middle rounds. Neither fighter was down, but both boys knew they had been in a scrap by the end. Referee Phil Uberuaga scored it 79-75, while judges Henry Alegria had it 78-76 and Clint Isensee had it 79-75.

▸ **PORTLAND, OREGON**—Pete Gonzales, 135, Portland, Ore., scored a ten round unanimous decision over Claudio Adame, 138, Durango, Mexico.

Gonzales, who had been campaigning in California for the past two years, won seven of the ten rounds.

▸ **PORTLAND**—Wade Smith, 162, Portland, Ore., decisioned Frank Niblett, 166, San Jose, Calif., in the ten round main event.

Tom Marshall, 158, Portland, Ore., scored a fifth round t.k.o. over Lenny Buttram, 161, Medford, Ore.

▸ **EVERETT, WASHINGTON**—Nip Long, Washington State's N.C.A.A. welterweight champ in 1948, has taken over the training chores of the Everett Eagles' amateur boxing team. Nip had over 100 amateur bouts and reached the quarter-finals of the 1948 Olympic Trials.

▸ **FIRCREST, WASHINGTON** — Jock McOmber, crowd pleasing middleweight of the 1930's, is working for a railroad. McOmber met some of the world's best fighters. He trained for many years with Freddie Steele.

▸ **SEATTLE**—Ralph Holland, popular gymnasium owner, passed away this month. . . . Joey Velez, former Pacific Northwest lightweight champ, still works out occasionally at the Cherry Street Gym to keep in shape. Joey devotes much of his time to refereeing and training the amateurs. . . . George Chemeres has a real prospect in hard punching Larry Buck.

▸ The most recent show at Albany, Ore., Howard Meredith, Albany, 147, and Ron Thompson, 160, Eugene, Ore., won the ten rounders. Meredith beat Clyde Williams, 147, of Portland, and Thompson decisioned Frank Niblet, 164, San Jose.

Other results were:

Roy Hoskins, 161, Albany, Ore., kayoed Johnny White, 159, Portland, in the third. Larry Baker, 200, Albany, Ore., decisioned Richie Peters, 198, Portland, four rounds. Denny Stenado, 135, Tacoma, outpointed Frankie Leonard, 137, Portland, four rounds.

## MEXICO CITY NEWS
### *By Selsso Tiborro*

**Mexico City—Chango Carmona, 135, stopped Juan Ortiz, 134, in five. Raul Martinez, 118, stopped Nacho Maya, 118, in six.**

Jose Indio Garcia, 112, outpointed Tomas Gonzales, 112, in six.

Jose Medel, national bantam champion, stopped Japanese Hirochi Otomori, bantam, in 7. Pulgarcito Ramos, Mexican heavyweight, stopped Don Kootz, American heavyweight, in 2. Octavio Gomez, 112, outpointed Gallego Gomez, 112, in 10.

Here are the results of other Mexican City bouts:

Jamie "Dumbo" Perez, 119, outpointed Roberto San Martin, 118, in 10.

Elias Vargas, 130, stopped Rogelio Fortachón Huitrón, 128 in 2. Raymundo Bolaños, 147, and Arturo Salas, 146, drew in 10.

Ray Vega, 118, stopped Grillo Duran, 118, in 3. Eduardo Alvarado, 113, decisioned Juan Cruz, 112, in 8. Chucho Almazan, 132, decisioned Alfredo Sotelo, 134, in 6.

Chango Carmona, 135, stopped Charro Gomez, 135, in 3. Pepe Mota, 118, decisioned Juan Ruiz, 118, in 10. Cele Chavez, 126, stopped Chivito Lazcano, 126, in 2.

Chino Vera, 126, stopped Mongol Noguez, 125, in 2. Nemesio Zenil, 115, and Marcelino Luna, 112, drew in 8.

Fernando Sotelo, 127, decisioned Hermellindo Mondragon, 127, in 10. Chano Herrera, 126, stopped Benjamin Velasco, 126, in 1.

Rafael Herrera, 118, decisioned Alfredo Meneses, 118, in 10. Gustavo Sosa, 118, decisioned Pedro Torres, 118, in 8.

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## BOOMING YEAR IN NEW ORLEANS
*By Ike Morales*

**New Orleans, La.—Professional boxing returned with a bang to the Crescent City in 1966. Promoters Lou Messina and Curley Gagliano, of the New Orleans Boxing Club, and Mike Cusimano, of the Garden AC, look forward to a more booming year in 1967.**

Boxing was at a low level here for years. Much credit must be given to the local promoters for bringing the game back, they fought a game fight.

Jerry Pellegrini, Percy Pugh, Joe Dorsey and Curtis Cokes aided materially in boosting the sport. Jerry boxed here nine times during the year.

The popular young welterweight belted out his first five opponents—Preston Price (3); Dean Whitlock (2); Orlando Ruiz (2); Tim Ford (4), and Colin Fraser(1). He then went on to decision Charley Scott, Joey Durelle and Dave Morine in 10 rounders.

Vince Arone, manager of Pellegrini, feels certain that Jerry will be facing rated fighters before 1968. A good game boxer with a solid left hook and lots of stamina, Jerry is being taken along at a pace that figures to give him much experience before facing much stiffer opposition.

Cokes scored two 15-round victories here. Curtis stopped the veteran campaigner, Luis Rodriguez, in the final round, and went on to outscore Manuel Gonzales.

Pugh won five in a row before losing a tenner to Dave Morine. Percy won over Joe Barrientes, Sugar Cliff, Herbie Lee and Severa Balboa, and kayoed Benito Juarez in five rounds.

Dorsey turned in some fancy fighting after a six-year layoff, stopping Bob Simmons, Benny Bowser and Johnny Featherman before running into Hershel Jacobs, who belted the local light-heavyweight in the 10th round.

▸ A big house saw Pellegrini split decision Morine in 10 rounds. It was Jerry's eighth straight victory.

The verdict was not popular with the galleryites. Most of the fans, as did the writer, thought Morine clearly outboxed the local boy and deserved no less than an even break.

The officials apparently were in a pre-Yule mood. Referee Lucien Jaubert scored it 5-4-1 for Pellegrini while Judge Eddie Brown saw it 4-4-2, but gave the bout to Pellegrini for aggressiveness. Judge Herman Dutreux had it 4-4-2.

Pellegrini, 145, was slow to start, allowing the Philadelphia welterweight to pile up a comfortable margin in five rounds.

Ray Wilmore, 157, New Orleans, dropped Nolan Duplessis, 151½, New Orleans, with a left hook in the fourth and went on to score a six-round split decision in the semi-final. Duplessis finished up strong, but the bout seemed out of his reach by this time.

▸ The closed circuit showing of Cassius Clay and Cleveland Williams was a huge success for the Messina-Gagliano combine. It grossed $9,000. The promoters oversold the place and ended up having to refund money.

## TIJUANA GOSSIP
*By Tays D. Cool*

**Tijuana, Lower Cal.—A main event of 10 rounds between Cuervo Hernandez, 116, Sinaloa, and Chamaco Fuentes, 126, Colima, resulted in a furious draw. The styles of the fighters were perfectly matched as Fuentes, short, stocky and in superb condition, carried the fight to the deadly left hooking Hernandez.**

Round seven found Fuentes with a badly swollen left eye and midway through the eighth Hernandez opened up a cut near Fuentes' nose. The last two rounds saw both exhausted to the point at which either could be dropped with a clean punch. At the end the fans were on their feet, screaming approval of the gallant display.

In the semi, Benny Agraz, 123½, Tijuana, beat Tony Lopez, 127½, Obregon, in five. The stylish Agraz just had too many guns for the veteran puncher from the State of Sonora. Lopez, after being knocked down for an eight count late in round four, came out in the fifth throwing bombs in a desperate effort to put away the fast moving Agraz. Midway in the round, however, Lopez took the last two of many well delivered punches to the head and simply wilted to the canvas for a ten count.

▸ In another show, Juanito Gonzales, featherweight, was surprised by veteran Manuel Tarazon in a good ten. Former Mexican lightweight champion Baby Vasquez outpointed Al Grant in a dull ten.

## UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
*By Tom Ephrem*

**Savannah, Ga.—Jimmy Bullock, Savannah's little ole sweetpea, gave his customary excellent performance before the home folks in wrapping up a fifth round TKO over Miamian George Sawyer. But a pair of other local stalwarts didn't fare as well. Freddie Sullivan dropped a ten rounder to Willie Johnson, of Miami, in a heavyweight fracas and Tom Cohen lost in an eight rounder to Mike Lanum, of Houston, in a second heavyweight go.**

Promoter Grady Bragg had a good turnout and a good card, which is what the fans clamor for. Bullock, at 132, overcame Sawyer's seven pound weight advantage, height and reach by pouring in combinations and hadn't a thing to worry about. The situation was well in his hands. Several times Jimmy brought blood from Sawyer's mouth and the house medic's last visit to the ring was enough.

Sullivan, though losing big, did offer comfort to his followers with courage and effort. Freddie didn't stop trying but Johnson just knew too much. The last round was a dilly. Sullivan went all out.

Johnson saw an opening and threw a punch that sent Sullivan down to one knee. But Freddie came up and almost dropped Willie with a couple of hard rights to the head. Referee Tommy Kiene and Judges Floyd Roberson and Pat Flaherty all tabbed Willie the winner.

Lanum, spotting Cohen 11 pounds, earned a split nod after eight rounds. Forcing the action Lanum, a loser to Freddie Sullivan in Miami by a TKO, was best delivering in close. Judges Flaherty and Roberson gave him their awards while Referee Kiene saw Cohen ahead. In a three round amateur bout John Cutter drew with Louis Green.

▸ Grady Bragg brought the Clay-Williams bout to Savannah on closed circuit and what the boxing buffs lost out in the way of a fight between the champion and challenger was made up in three bouts offered them that night.

Jimmy Bullock and Miamian Jerry Powers stole the honors. Powers got a split nod after ten fast rounds. This is Jerry's second win over Bullock while the latter has one over Jerry. They are lightweights.

Freddie Sullivan, Savannah heavyweight, came back on the winning side and stopped Jimmy Bell, 196, of Charleston in the fifth round. Sullivan depended mainly on crushing right handers. In a good four rounder, Ponce Jones beat Wilson Black, Savannah.

## LOUISVILLE BOXING NEWS
*By Joe Martin*

**At the Kentucky State Fairgrounds recently, Cassius Clay, heavyweight champion, fought a six-round exhibition with Doug Jones for the Children's Hospital Foundation of Louisville.**

Approximately 5,000 people attended making a profit for the hospital of between $8,000 and $9,000. Clay donated his services, but all other fighters on the card were paid.

In other bouts, James Ellis of Louisville knocked out Ed Dembry of Chicago in 2:18 of the second round in a bout scheduled for eight rounds.

In a scheduled six round fight Marcus Anderson, three times National Golden Gloves Champion, knocked out George Sawyer of Miami, Florida in 2:53 of the second round. Don Lutz of Miami won over Red Reilly of Chicago in six.

▸ Any boy interested in appearing in Louisville, please contact this writer at 1401 Melody Lane, Louisville, Kentucky, 40214.

## SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
*By J. Jimmie Amann*

**George Foster, Cincinnati's lightweight, is going like a house afire in Europe so the drums already are beating for an early fight between George and Doug Agin of Zanesville for the state lightweight title when Foster returns.**

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*By Eduardo Amer G.*

▶ **HERMOSILLO, SONORA:** Melchor Gasparin, 129, TKO'd Chamaco Leyva, 127, in the first round. Jose "Chino" Arias, 130, tko'd "Pulgarcito" Villa, 129, in seven.

Cipriano Hernandez, 124, beat Pedro "Patas Chuecas" Garcia, 125, in eight.

▶ **GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Javier "Mongol" Noguez, 125, won by a disqualification over David "Grillo" Durán, 126, in nine. Francisco Olmos, 124, decisioned Pelon Zuñiga, 125, in ten.

▶ **IZMAL, YUCATAN:** Daniel Gutierrez, 135, and Victor Sanchez (Kid Papas), 137, drew in six rounds. Baby Albornoz, 124, and Kid Madera, 123, also drew in six.

▶ **AGUASCALIENTES:** Gabriel "Halcon" Ruiz, 116, halted Lupe Gonzalez, 115, in four. Hector Vazquez, 118, bested Fernando Tiscareño, 117, in ten.

▶ **MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS:** Rogelio Lara, 117, outscored Arturo "Chocolate" Zambrano, 116, in 10. Noe Treviño stopped Crescencio Martinez in two.

Jesus Torres outpointed Daniel Reyes in eight.

▶ **CORDOBA, VERACRUZ:** Genaro "Japones" Gonzalez, 113, flattened "Pavita" Torres, 112, in seven. Sergio Sanchez, 137, put Jorge Garcia, 136, to sleep in the fifth.

▶ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Aurelio Muñiz, 125, TKO'd Jaime "Chamaco" Perez, 124, in five. Rocky Garcia, 124, technically kayoed Manuel Arroyo, 125, in four.

▶ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** Edmundo Lara, 125, bested "Gallito" Cisneros, 126, in ten.

▶ **GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Jorge Diaz, 135, tko'd Manolo Mora, 134, of Cuba, in eight.

▶ **TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Lenny Brice, 118, of US, technically stopped Juan Baez, 122, in nine rounds. Frankie Crawford, 139, of USA, TKO'd Fili Espiricueta, 138, in six.

▶ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS:** Jose Luis Martinez, 122, decisioned Beto Lara, 124, in ten. Ricardo Arredondo, 119, tko'd Ray Garcia, 120, in nine rounds.

▶ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** Julio César Segura, 116, technically stopped Elias "Mudo" Oliva, 114, in five. Jesus Mora tko'd Enrique Solis, in nine.

▶ **MERIDA, YUCATAN:** Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 125, featherweight champ of Yucatan, TKO'd Delfino "Sugar" Camacho, 126, of Acapulco, in the opening round. Carlos Vazquez, 123, beat Luis Molinares, 121, in ten.

"Schmeling" Cetina, 145, tko'd Manuel Gutierrez, 146, in three.

▶ **GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Vicente Garcia, 124, and Richie Sue, 125, of USA, drew in ten. The decision was controversial.

Jorge Rosales, 147, Mexican Welterweight champ, stopped Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 148, in two heats. Rogelio Fernandez, 125, TKO'd Moi Torres, 125, in eight.

▶ **GUAMUCHILL, SINALOA:** Beto Gerardo, 139, bested Celso Oliva, 142, in ten.

▶ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Chuy Rocha, 119, tko'd Apolonio Reyna, 118, in eight.

▶ **SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, SONORA:** Rafael Gutierrez, 153, Mexican middleweight king, stopped Eddie McGruder, 152, in five.

▶ **LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Roberto Wong, 124, tko'd Joe Vadez, 124, in five.

▶ **MERIDA, YUCATAN:** Carlos Navarette (Zurdo Aparecido), 126, stopped Fernando "Ratón" Segura, 125, in two rounds. Juan Peralta, 111, TKO'ed Leoncito Hernández, 113, in five.

▶ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** Gerardo Fernandez, 124, nailed "Gallito" Cisneros, 123, in two. Leon Patiño halted Chicho Castillo, in the sixth.

▶ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** German Bastidas, 117, decisioned Manuel Flores, 120, in ten. Lupe Lara, 124, outscored Borrado Zuñiga, 125, in 10.

▶ **GUADLAJARA, JALISCO:** "Tun-Tun" Torres, 133, and Agustin Chavez, 134, drew in ten rounds.

▶ **SAN LUIS POTOSI:** Jose Angel "Mantequilla" Nápoles, 140, of Cuba, TKO'd Jimmy Fields, 135, in the tenth round. In the first, Fields floored Napoles with a hard right hook to the jaw.

Évaristo "Cuervo" Salinas, 118, lost to Jerry Stokes, 117, of USA, in ten.

▶ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS:** Ramiro Garcia, 112, outclassed Chucho Garcia, 113, in ten.

▶ **PROGRESO, YUCATAN:** Chamaco Cetina, 111, flattened Baby Suarez, 113, in four.

▶ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS:** Baby Terranova, 112, beat Leoncito Hernandez, 112, of Tabasco, in ten rounds.

▶ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 125 decisioned ose Angel Zamoro, 125, in ten. "Ardilla" Garcia, 124, kayoed "Toro" Garcia, 121, in five.

▶ **GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Ramon Camarena, 124, technically stopped "Chamaco" Hernandez, 124, in five rounds.

▶ **TORREON, COAHUILA:** Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 124, lost to veteran Raul "Lobito" Montoya, 127, in ten. Jorge Gomez, 119, bested Torito Silva, 120, in ten.

▶ **MEXICALI, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Raul Soriano, 136, Mexican lightweight champion, embalmed Charlie Watson, 135, in four. Antonio "Peludo" Leal, 114, TKO'd Samuel Castillo, 116, in the sixth heat.

▶ **REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS:** Oscar Rivas, 114, won from Chuy Chavez, 116, in ten. Ramon Reyes, 124, beat "Casanovita" Aguilar, 125, in 10.

▶ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS:** Ricardo Arredondo, 119, stopped Gallito del Ring (Raul Anaya), 117, in three. Gabriel Alvarez, 124, bested Santiago Jimenez, 126, in ten.

▶ **LEON, GUANAJUATO:** Sensational Ruben Olivares, 112, scored his knockout number 19 when he technically kayoed his rival Rafael Macias, 114, in the fifth roll. Ruben has a clean slate, having won every bout.

▶ **MERIDA, YUCATAN:** Hipolito Hernandez, 125, easily whipped Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 125, in ten rounds. Baby Mendicuti (Jose del Carmen Dzuc Mendicuti), 112, outpointed Ernesto Gallardo, 112, of Mexico City, also in ten.

▶ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** "Lechero" Gonzalez, 125, halted Mundo Lara, 125, in only two rounds. Jose Luna stopped Arturo Peña in 5.

▶ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Miguel Hernandez, 134, became the new lightweight champion of the State of Nuevo Laredo when he won by a TKO in seven rounds over Panchito Marin. The title was vacant.

▶ **GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Roberto Alvarez, 118, TKO'd Doroteo "Pollito" Lara, 117, in four heats.

▶ **CULIACAN, SINALOA:** Aurelio Cazares, 125, outpointed Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 126, in ten rounds. Antonio "Chiquis" Rosales, 134, beat Fermin Soto, 136, in ten.

▶ **CIUDAD JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA:** Jesus "Chucho" Castillo, 118, put Waldemiro Pinto, 118, of Brazil, to sleep in three rounds. Manuel Barrios, 119, and Edmundo "Mundo" Esparza, 119, drew, 10.

Alfredo Urbina, 138, nailed Rogelio Reyes, 137, in nine rounds.

# BOXING IN TRINIDAD

*By George Beckles*

**Port-of-Spain, Trinidad**—There was to have been a welterweight fight of local importance but it had to be delayed because Leslie Frederick, Trinidad champion, was nursing a cut eye. His opponent was to have been Matt Donovan.

A substitute fight saw Levi Campbell, 155, get the decision over David Beckles, in ten. Dave weighed 156½.

Anthony Gay, 138, got a split decision over Rufus Figaro, 134.

Harry Thompson, 123½, outpointed Lloyd George in a six, split verdict.


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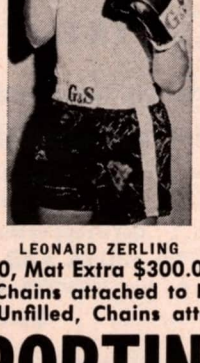

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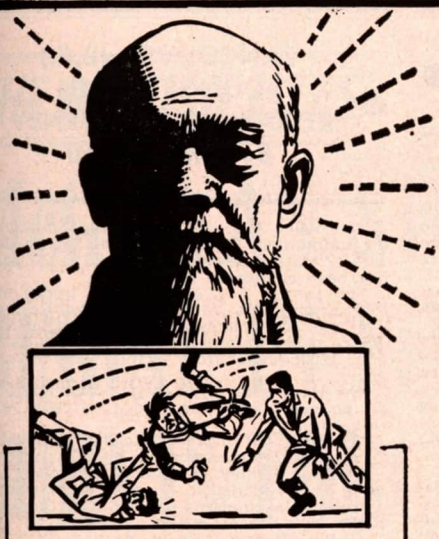

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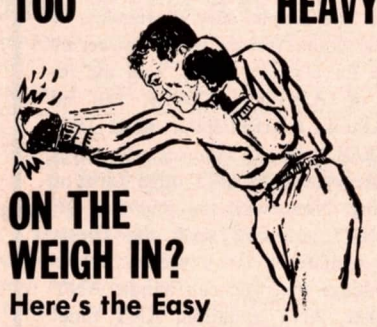

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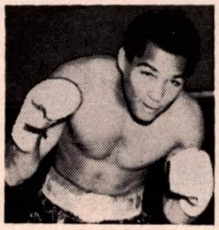

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## TEXAS TALKING BIG
### *By Harlan Haas*

**Houston, Tex.—Gone is the Clay-Williams fight, a big disappointment in so far as the challenger was concerned, but a big thing for Big Texas.**

What with an all-time indoor record attendance of 35,460, and a gate of $491,290, Houston and Texas did themselves proud. New York, Chicago and Los Angeles could not have matched these figures.

Houston, with its Astrodome, and a strong, knowledgeable promotion outfit, is ready to fight the world for the biggest fights available.

If New York's Garden thinks it will glide into the Clay-Terrell fight, it has another think coming. Houston will fight for this match, even though Terrell hardly made himself a tremendous attraction with his showing against Doug Jones.

The Clay-Williams affair was backed up with a strong under-card by Promoter Earl Gilliam.

On the Clay-Williams under-card:

Teenage kayo king Bobby Dennard of nearby Pasadena copped a six round decision from Karl Zurheide in a hotly contested battle. Dennard outweighed Zurheide seven pounds, and proved too strong.

Two officials tabbed Dennard, the other called it even. Dennard weighed 182½, Zurheide 175.

Dave Zyglewicz, the Texas heavyweight champ by way of Watervliet, N.Y., stopped Ray Vega, of Memphis in four rounds.

Ron Marsh, of Minneapolis, kayoed Al Jones, of St. Louis (not Florida Al) in the fifth of a heavyweight brawl.

Jimmy Ellis of Louisville starched Tommy Sims in the first round. Mark Tessman outboxed Cassius Clay Scott, of New Orleans, in a six.

▶ Due to an overwhelming demand for programs to the heavyweight title bout the promoter had an additional 1,000 copies printed for fans around the country. It is a multi-colored 32-page souvenir. You can have a copy by sending one dollar to Championship Program, 507 Louisiana, Houston, Texas, c/o Texas Boxing Enterprises.

▶ Manuel Gonzalez is fighting southpaw Willie Ludick in Johannesburg, South Africa. . . . Van Bevill, former pro who had numerous fights in Florida, has taken over as manager of heavyweight Jeff Davis. Bevill acquired the services of Davis from Lou Viscusi. Van has one of the largest night spots in Texas.

Earl Gilliam is toying with the idea of going weekly in 1967.

## IN AND AROUND PHILLY
### *By Archie Pirolli*

**Philadelphia, Pa. — This locale's new welterweight sensation, Gypsy Joe Harris, unbeaten in 16 straight battles, gained a unanimous 10-round decision over Cuban Jose Stable at the arena. A crowd of 6,600 fans, who paid $27,151, witnessed Gypsy in another crowd-pleasing contest.**

"I'm ready for any welterweight in the world," said Gypsy after the fight. He had accomplished a win over a seasoned battler who gave Harris the toughest fight of his young career.

Harris was in command throughout the ten rounds. Gypsy, who weighed 151 to Stable's 150½, was compelled to take off a pound to meet the requirements in the contract. This did not bother Harris. He stepped up the pace in the second round after he had danced and bobbed around the ring in the opening heat.

Gypsy fought to the body often, and opened a cut over Stable's right eye. From the third round to the eighth both fighters fought furiously. Most of the third round was a slugging duel. In the fourth the Cuban was staggered by a left hook and returned to his corner on shaky legs. The rest of the fight saw Harris get the better of the exchanges. Stable was fighting with the hope of ending the affair with one punch.

Harris was staggered in the eighth but he came back fighting hard and escaped further damage. Stable switched to a southpaw stance in the ninth round and threw many booming hooks, but Harris fought inside and forced Stable back to his natural stance.

Harris, for the first time in his career, was on his own. Willie Reddish and Yank Durham, his co-managers, were on the West Coast with Joe Frazier.

In other bouts, Al Massey, 140, a stablemate of Harris, stopped Eddie (Flash) Tomlin, 139½, in the second round. In the opening four rounder, Jack O'Halloran, 236, won over Woody Goss, 190; Mario Saurennan, 140, won over Ronnie Townes, 141, in six and Jimmy McClain, 179, beat Tony Burwell, 178, in six.

## VANCOUVER (B.C.) YOUNGSTERS IN REMARKABLE TOURNEY
### *By Tom Deugau*

**Vancouver, B.C.—By far the most unusual boxing tournament in the world, the Bronze Gloves, with 17 classes at weights from 50 to 147 pounds, has been completed here.**

The Bronze Boy Award, chief trophy of the tournament, was voted to Richard Gallant, 13 year old 106 pounder, who was the unanimous choice of the committee of three. Gary Van Buskirk, 126 pounder from Victoria, was the runner-up.

The Hard Luck Loser Trophy went to Ian Pye, 60 pounder, who was forced to retire with a throat injury.

The best bout prize went to that between Gerry Chu and Eric Anderstrom, in the 100 pound final.

Miahael Stanley, 90 pound champion, scored three TKO victories in his first tournament.

Here is the complete list of Bronze Glove champions, with runners up in parenthesis:

50 lbs. Michael O'Reilly, Hastings (Ken Smith, Astoria)
55 lbs. Aaron Shields, N.W. Eagles (Danny MacDonald, Hastings)
60 lbs. Ronnie Way, Victoria (Larry Bienvenu, Langley)
65 lbs. Harry Seigner, Astoria (David Kirby, Ladner)
70 lbs. Wayne Gordon, N.W.E. (Ken Archibald, Richmond)
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95 lbs. Norm Nicholson, N.W.E. (Kelly Barrows, Nanaimo)
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112 lbs. Don McKenzie, Ocean Falls (Doug Bready, Hastings)
119 lbs. Robert Scharff, Pt. Alberni (Allen Ranger, Victoria)
126 lbs. Gary Van Buskirk, Victoria (Gary Traynor, S. Burnaby)
135 lbs. Ed Milligan, N.W.E. (Keith Carney, Ladner)
147 lbs. Don Young, N.W.E. (Ken Watson, Langley)

## WESTERN MICHIGAN NOTES
### *By Leonard LaBarre*

**Grand Rapids, Mich.—BUSTER MATHIS returned to his hometown to fight Toronto's Johnny Barrazza. He decked Johnny toward the end of the first round. The bell had sounded during the count, under new boxing rules, the count continued and Barrazza was unable to arise in time. It was the first time the Canadian was counted out, although stopped by TKO's previously.**

Doug McLeod fought Tony Lopez in the most exciting bout on the card. Doug won a split decision in a see-saw contest which had the fans on edge. Doug weighed 149 to Lopez's 155.

Hedgeman Lewis, former National A.A.U. and Golden Gloves Champion, won a six round decision over Charley Lewis, Anderson, Indiana. This outstanding Detroit welterweight continues undefeated.

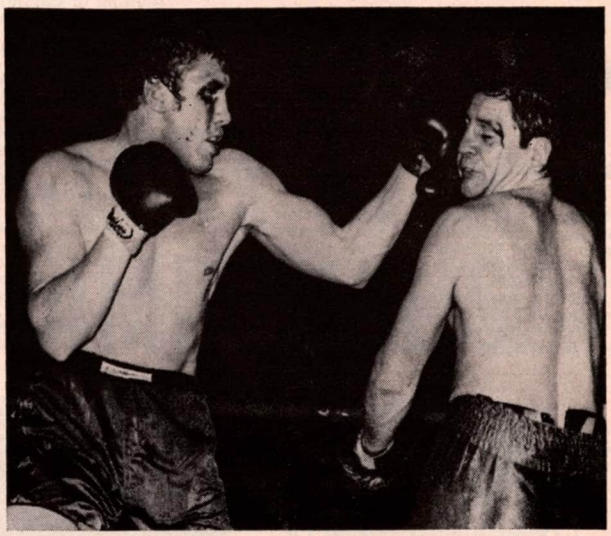
▶ Returning to the ring after many months away are: Oscar German, Muskegon bantamweight, who was knocking them dead down Texas a couple years ago; and Gene Gresham, former State lightweight champ, who was a headliner for several years. Middleweight Jim Davis is another who recently returned to action. Thomas "Motor Boat" Clayton, Frank Burrell, and Wes Ramey, Jr., have talked of returning to the sport.

▶ Larry McGee, formerly from California, has returned to action. He has fought out of South Bend, and Grand Rapids in recent bouts. He gave Blue Lewis a scare in Detroit, hurting Blue in the first, but McGee was stopped in the second round at Detroit's Cobo Arena. Marion Connor decisioned Willie Williams in the headliner that night.

McGee journeyed to Uniontown, Pa., to fight Jack Rodgers. He was giving Rodgers all he could handle, but suffered a cut eye and the referee called a halt awarding the bout to Rodgers.

## THE BRITISH ISLES

# McGOWAN STOPS BISBAL IN FIVE; CURVIS FORCED INTO RETIREMENT



**Billy Walker (left) lands a hard left to the head of Jose Menno during their heavyweight contest at Royal Albert Hall, London. Walker was declared the victor when the referee halted matters during tenth.**

### By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, ENGLAND—Wee Walter McGowan, holder of British and Empire title, as well as the world flyweight championship, gave the guests of the World Sporting Club a jolly evening as he forced Jose Bisbal, bantam champion of Spain, to get dressed early. The fight ended in the fifth round, with retirement.

The Spaniard was suffering from a damaged nose. In the fourth, Bisbal took a hammering and was put down for a short count from a combination of punches to the head and body. Rising on rubberly legs, bleeding from his nose, he managed to last out the round.

Referee Harry Gibbs came to his corner and Bisbal pleaded for another round. . . . He fought desperately with swings to McGowan's jaw, with no effect, and at the end of the round, the Spaniard's corner called a halt. McGowan weighed 115½, Bisbal 121½.

Don Davis, Bermondsey, 150½, and Ske Mullen, Dublin, 149½, put up a great scrap which lasted into the fifth. The referee stopped the contest, naming Davis the winner.

If that was a good bout, then one should have witnessed the battle between Lex Hunter, Bermondsey, 136½, and Billy Seasman, Liverpool, 144.

For eight rounds it was a humdinger, and at the end, after loud appreciation from the crowded Great Room at Grosvenor House, the ring was showered with paper money. Both deserved "The Nobbins" and referee Robert Irvine's draw decision.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB,** Ken Buchanan, Edinburgh, 131, was a clear points winner over Antonio Pavia, Argentine 131¼, in a fast ten.

The Scot who improves with every bout, gave a brilliant display of aggressive boxing. Referee Benny Caplan had them Buchanan, 49¾, Pavia 47½.

Pat Dwyer, Liverpool, 157, took 65 seconds of the first round to knock out Louis Onwuna, Nigeria, 161½.

▸ **WYVERN SPORTING CLUB.** Manchester saw Ronnie Smith, Liverpool, former amateur champion, 130½, stop Billy Williams, Cannock, 126½, in the fifth after the latter had suffered a badly cut eye.

Chuck Henderson, Peterlee, 146, made it eight in a row, when he stopped George Onwuka, Liverpool, via Nigeria, 144½, due to a cut eye. Referee Hampston intervened in the fifth.

▸ **ANGLO-AMERICAN SPORTING CLUB.** Evan Armstrong, Ayr, 120½, thrashed Orizu Obilaso, Nigeria, 118. Orizu retired at the end of third with a damaged hand.

Shaun Doyle, Barnsley, 148½, had to fight hard to overcome Don McMillan, Glasgow, 149½, and gain a points win in eight.

▸ **BELFAST.** . . . Barney Eastwood's promotion at The Ulster Hall, was packed to capacity when Young John McCormack, once of Dublin, now from Brixton, 174, became the official challenger for Chic Calderwood's Cruiserweight Title, when he defeated Derek Richards, Welsh Champion, 173½, in the sixth. The latter was suffering from cuts around the left eye, and his cornermen advised the referee that it was useless for Richards to carry on. . . .

Terry McTigue, Belfast, 158½, forced Henry Turkington, Doagh, 159, to retire at the end of the seventh, when he suffered a bad cut. They were fighting in the final eliminator for the Northern Area Middleweight Championship.

▸ **MARLEYBONE.** . . . Ivan Whiter, Tooting, 134½. won the vacant Southern Area lightweight title, when he narrowly outpointed Phil Lundgren, Bermondsey, 134, in a thrilling ten. . . . Referee Pat Floyd had Whiter 49½, Lundgren 48½.

Bobby Davies, West Ham, 125½, narrowly outpointed Monty Laud, St. Ives, 126, in eight.

▸ **SCOTTISH SPORTING CLUB, GLASGOW.** . . . Don McMillan, Glasgow, 149¼, outpointed Chris McAuley, Belfast, 151, in eight. . . . John O'Neill, Glasgow, 141, stopped Al Graham, 137, in 2:04 of the first. The referee intervened.

▸ **GOTTENBURG, SWEDEN.** . . . Peter Coblah, Ghana, knocked out Domencio Tiberia, Italy, in the fifth of a welterweight contest. Gerry Hassett, Belfast lost on points to Theo Pollex, Sweden, in a cruiserweight six. . . .

▸ **MANCHESTER.** . . . Johnny Pritchett, Bingham, British Middleweight Champion, had little difficulty in disposing of Jim Swords, Manchester, in less than three rounds. Pritchett had overcome the "Southpaw" stance of the Manchester boxer early in the first, and after the latter had taken three counts, referee Roland Dakin intervened.

Alan Rudkin, Liverpool, 120, was forced to the limit of ten rounds to gain a points decision over Jose Bisbal, Spain, 119½, in a hard fought bout. This was Rudkin's first bout since losing his British and Empire bantamweight titles to McGowan.

▸ **NEWCASTLE.** . . . Maurice Cullen, British Lightweight Champion, 139, entered the welterweight division with a good points win over Oblety Commey, welterweight champion of Ghana, 141½, in a interesting ten. When Cullen realized that he could not put the tough (Continued on page 60)

### BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

**(UP TO DECEMBER 20, 1966)**

| HEAVYWEIGHTS | MIDDLEWEIGHTS | LIGHTWEIGHTS | BANTAMWEIGHTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Henry Cooper (E) | 1. Blair Richardson (C) | 1. Maurice Cullen (E) | 1. Walter McGowan (S) |
| 2. George Chuvalo (C) | 2. Gomeo Brennan (B) | 2. Bunny Grant (J) | 2. Alan Rudkin (E) |
| 3. Brian London (E) | 3. Johnny Pritchett (E) | 3. Lennox Beckles (GU) | 3. Lionel Rose (A) |
| 4. Jack Bodell (E) | 4. Wally Swift (E) | 4. Ray Adigun (N) | 4. Evan Armstrong (S) |
| 5. Billy Gray (E) | 5. Harry Scott (E) | 5. Percy Hayles (J) | 5. Jim McCann (I) |
| 6. Billy Walker (E) | 6. Lionel Ilfiil (GU) | 6. Vic Andreetti (E) | 6. Bob Allotey (G) |
| 7. Carl Gizzi (W) | 7. Milo Calhoun (J) | 7. Ken Buchanan (S) | 7. Sean McCafferty (I) |
| 8. Sipa Fine (NZ) | 8. Earl Nikora (NZ) | 8. Manuel Santos (NZ) | 8. Jackie Brown (S) |
| 9. Johnny Prescott (E) | 8. Jimmy Meilleur (C) | 9. Joe Rafiu King (N) | 9. Don Weller (E) |
| 10. Dave Ould (E) | 10. Jackie Harwood (E) | 10. Ivan Whiter (E) | 10. Carl Taylor (E) |

| CRUISERWEIGHTS | WELTERWEIGHTS | FEATHERWEIGHTS | FLYWEIGHTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Dick Tiger (N) | 1. Johnny De Pieza (T) | 1. Howard Winstone (W) | 1. Rocky Gattelari (A) |
| 2. Bob Dunlop (A) | 2. Johnny Cooke (E) | 2. Love Allotey (G) | 2. John McClusky (S) |
| 3. Young McCormack (E) | 3. Brian McCaffrey (E) | 3. Johnny Famechon (A) | 3. Alex O'Neil (I) |
| 4. Leweni Waqa (FI) | 4. Peter Coblah (G) | 4. John O'Brien (S) | 4. Tony Barlow (E) |
| 5. John Hendrickson (B.W.I.) | 5. Oblety Commey (G) | 5. Gilbert Biondi (A) | 5. Orizio Obilaso (N) |
| 6. Derek Richards (W) | 6. Gordon McAteer (E) | 6. Lennie Williams (W) | 6. Kid Miller (Z) |
| 7. Johnny Halifihi (TO) | 7. Carmen Rotolo (A) | 7. Harry Pickard (E) | 7. Bill Amos (Z) |
| 8. John McCormack (S) | 8. Ralph Charles (E) | 8. Max Murphy (A) | 8. Jackie Trashman (A) |
| 9. Eddie Avoth (W) | 9. Peter McLaren (E) | 9. Joe Tetteh (G) | |
| 10. Johnny Ould (E) | 10. Shaun Doyle (E) | 10. Jimmy Anderson (E) | |

*LEGEND: A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; FI Fiji Islands; G Ghana; GU Guyana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.*

## WHITFIELD'S WELTER BOOM COLLAPSES IN TWO DEFEATS

*By Don Hamill*

**Boston, Mass.—The big stories in New England boxing are the collapse of the welterweight title hopes of Ted Whitfield with two straight defeats by unrated fighters, and the defeat of Portland's Pete Riccitelli.**

Whitfield had had 24 consecutive successes and Riccitelli had run off a skein of 21.

Whitfield first blew the duke to LeRoy Hurricane Roberts, of Norristown, Pa., and then was outpointed by Pete Toro, in a prelude to the T-V showing of Cassius Clay and Cleveland Williams, in Boston Garden. Riccitelli was whipped by Bobby Harrington, of New York.

Roberts gave Whitfield a sound beating and got a unanimous verdict. This was in Portland.

Eleven days later, Whitfield, 147, ran even with Toro, 147½, for five rounds. Then Toro took command and that was that.

In the Garden undercard, Beau Jaynes, 131, Lowell, repeated over veteran Paddy Read, 131, Providence, with a unanimous eight round decision. Jaynes baffled Read with fast combinations but the latter was always dangerous with his roundhouses.

▸ At Portland—Boston Jacobs, 182, New York, turned in another good win when he gained a unanimous ten round decision over Greatest Crawford, 176, Brooklyn, who since has died. Jacobs, the aggressor, scored with left hooks and jabs.

George Gosselin, 130, Portland, was impressive in turning back Ronnie Butts, 135, Portland, with a unanimous six round duke in the semi-final.

▸ **WORCESTER** saw Dick French, 153, Providence, R.I., outfight Gene Herrick, 147, Saco, Me. Herrick, as game as they come, tried to mix it with French who dropped him in the third round and was battering him so freely that Referee Ed Curley called a halt in the fourth heat.

Irish Beau Jaynes, 130, Lowell, knocked out Ronnie Butts, 134, Portland, in the second of the eight round co-feature. Jaynes unleashed a fast two-fisted attack that spilled Butts for the full count.

▸ At Walpole, Mass., Brad Silas, 157, Washington, D.C., entered the ring in poor condition and was an easy victim of Ricky Ortiz, 148, Brooklyn, who scored a clean knockout in the sixth.

Angel Morales, 163, Paterson, N.J., was stopped in the second round by Carl Williams, 163, New York, in the semi-final.

▸ **PORTLAND** saw Riccitelli, 168, add veteran Rudolph Bent, 163½, British Honduras, to his list of defeated opponents by winning a clear cut eight round decision. Riccitelli started fast and jolted the veteran, especially in the fifth round.

Renaldo Victoria, 139, Pittsfield, Mass., scored a fifth round knockdown in taking the decision in the six round semi-final from Bobby White, 138½, New York.

▸ At WALPOLE—Frank DePaula, 180, Jersey City, N.J., needed one vicious right to the ribs in the second round to stiffen Irish Billy Crowder, 178, Petersburg, Va.

Mike Suarez, 144, Brooklyn, outclassed Rocky Luce, 153, Worcester, to take the decision in the six round semi-final.

▸ At Portland, for the second week in a row a local favorite bowed in defeat. Riccitelli, 167½, had five pounds on Harrington. The bout was fairly even for the first five rounds. Then Harrington forged ahead with sharper punching and better ring generalship.

▸ **WALPOLE** saw Jerry Graci, 145, Arlington, erase a draw with Isidro Perez, 149, Springfield, by punching out a clear cut eight round decision over Perez. Graci bears watching.

Billy Burton, 166, New York, punched out a unanimous six rolnd decision over Gene Tapia, 160, Long Island City, in the semi-final.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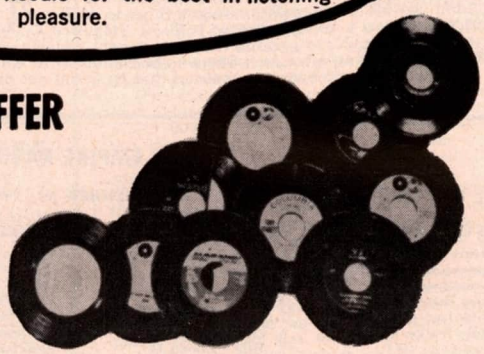

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## NEW JERSEY HIGHLIGHTS

*By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse*

**Newark, N.J. Now that the Fall season is here, amateur boxing is on the upswing all over the state. Shows have been staged in Lodi, West New York, Newark and South Jersey.**

In Symphony Hall here, Ricky Thomas won his third straight. Cecil Lucky won a three round decision over Dick Winfield, Newark. Art Jones, New York, outpointed Emil Nardone, Newark. Tommy Stevens, Linden, outpointed the Rockaway Beach flash Sammy Byrd.

Bob Alston, Nutley, won a close one over Frank Western, New York, in one of the best brawls seen on the studio show. Ricky Thomas, Brick Town, won his third straight when he outpointed Danny Figueroa, Newark.

▸ At Lodi, Mike Marchese, Garfield, won a three over Jose Ramos, Lodi at 160. Ed Krawiec, Garfield, won by a TKO in the last round over Ray Morales, Lodi, in a 130 lb. contest. Tommy Aciz, Secaucas, won a neat three over Dave Amoruso, Garfield. Sam Sierra, Lodi, won by a TKO, when Joe Gazzuolo, Secaucas, could not come out for the second round of a 112 lb. bout.

Gil Riviera, Lodi, won on a TKO in the third round over John Marchese, Garfield, in a 150 lb. contest. Rickey Tedesco, Secaucas, scored a three rd. duke over the Pride of Garfield, Jimmy Nichols, at 175.

Willie Cortes, Lodi, won by TKO over Ken Cox, Jersey City, in the 2nd round in a 100 lb. bout. Fern Ramos, Lodi, won a three over Ron Scunion, Jersey City, 125. Rudy Wear, Jersey City, won a three over Lou Freda, Secaucus, 135.

Frank Camiscioli, Garfield, was voted the outstanding boxer on the card when he won on a TKO in the second round over John Battale, New York, 135 lb. class.

▸ On another Symphony Hall card, Bern Voss, New York, won by a KO over Camp Kilmer's Everly Gurule. Sid Swenny, Newark, stopped Lee Brown, New York, in the first.

Tommy Stevens, Linden took out New York's Jerome Hutchinson in the first. Freebie Rivera, New York, stopped Camp Kilmer's Vern Turner, in the first minute of the second round.

Charley Johnson, Newark, outpointed Camp Kilmer's Frankie Johnson in the only bout on this card to go the limit.

▸ Again at Symphony Hall, Ray Merrill, Newark, scored a unanimous decision over veteran Marty Richardson, Newark. Lou Lopez, Monmouth Beach, outpointed Irving Cohen, Camp Kilmer. Steve Fletcher, Long Branch, stopped Larry Mitchell, Camp Kilmer, in the second round.

Billy Bean, Elizabeth. decisioned Camp Kilmer's Ev Gurule. Rick Thomas, Brick Town, won a close one over Camp Kilmer's Aaron Brewster.

## EUROPEAN GOSSIP

# MAZZINGHI'S VICTORY OVER HOBERG STIRS AMBITIONS

**By J. A. TREE**

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN—The outstanding boxing event in recent Continental competition produced a knockout victory, in round 14, for Sandro Mazzinghi, world junior middleweight champion, over Bo Hoberg, of Sweden.

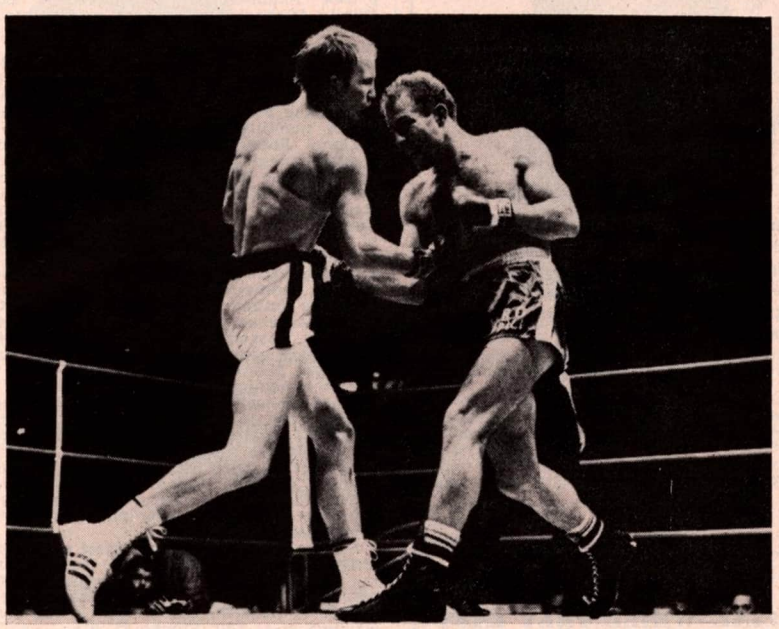
It was a smashing success which may have strengthened Mazzinghi's claims to a shot at Emile Griffith for the world middleweight title.

Referee Harry Gibbs, of England, wisely halted the slaughter because the Swede no longer could defend himself. He had been decked at the outset of the fourteenth.

Mazzinghi, at 144, gave away eleven and a half pounds. The Italian looked too light for serious middleweight contention. There were 13,233 enthusiasts on the scene and they paid $130,000.

Mazzinghi was shaken up in the fifth and had a bad nose bleed from then on. Hoberg is on the shelf for three months.

On the same card, Bo Petterson outpointed Al Sharpe in 8.



**World junior middleweight king Sandro Mazzinghi (right) connects with a hard right to the stomach of Swedish challenger Bo Hoberg during their Stockholm engagement. Mazzinghi won by virtue of a 14th round technical knockour.**

KARL MILDENBERGER, European heavyweight champion, had to call off his proposed bout with FLOYD PATTERSON on the advice of his doctors. They believe he should not train or fight until the New Year after the hard fight he had with Cassius Clay.

The EBU has instructed the German to defend his European crown against PIERO TOMASINO, Italy, by January 16. Medical certificates have been sent to the EBU asking for further grace. MILDENBERGER may lose his crown without a fight.

The EBU has put Willi Quatuor's name forward for a junior welter world title fight with champion, Sandro Lopopolo. Steve Klaus, manager of the junior welterweight king, says he is willing to bring his boxer to Germany for $30,000.

Quatuor was unable to defend his European Super Lightweight crown against Olli Maki in Helsinki on October 25 because of an injured back. The EBU had given the German until December 15 to fulfill this date with Maki.

Quatuor, wanting no part of it, has vacated his crown.

Sonny Liston may meet Jimmy Ellis at Gothenburg soon, then face Zora Folley in Stockholm early in 1967.

### ITALY

**ROME,** More than 17,000 paid around $76,000 to view promoter, Rino Tommasi's doubleheader title feature at Sportpalast.

Nino Benvenuti retained his European middleweight crown when the French challenger Pascal Di Bendetto failed to come out for round eleven. Bendetto was bleeding from the nose and a cut eye. Spanish referee Pofirlo Sanz Martin warned the visitor for butting in the tenth. Benvenuti was in good form and decked the challenger in round three.

Lopopolo stopped challenger Vicente Rivas, Venezuela, in seven rounds. Rivas started off well but injured his left arm in round four. He found this handicap too much and retired.

(Continued on page 60)

### CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO DECEMBER 20, 1966)

| HEAVYWEIGHTS | LIGHT-HEAVIES | MIDDLEWEIGHTS | LIGHT-MIDDLES |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Karl Mildenberger (G) | 1. Piero Del Papa (I) | 1. Nino Benvenuti (I) | 1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I) |
| 2. Piero Tomasoni (I) | 2. Giovanni Biancardi (I) | 2. Luis Folledo (S) | 2. Yoland Leveque (F) |
| 3. Dante Cane (F) | 3. Paul Roux (F) | 3. Sugar Boy Nando (H) | 3. Bo Hoberg (Sw) |
| 4. Gerhard Zech (G) | 4. Vittorio Sauraudi (I) | 4. Jupp Elze (G ) | 4. Jose Gonzales (F) |
| 5. Jose Juvillier (F) | 5. Pekka Kokkonen (Fn) | 5. Carlos Duran (I) | 5. Piere Minier (F) |
| 6. Sante Amonti (I) | 6. Giulio Rinaldi (I) | 6. Bruni Santini (I) | 6. Werner Mundt (G) |
| 7. Benito Penne (I) | 7. Yvan Prebeg (Y) | 7. Pascal Di Benedette (F) | 7. Bo Petersson (Sw) |
| 8. Giorgio Masteghin (I) | 8. Giuilo Saraudi (I) | 8. Jacques Marty (F) | 8. Jean Baptista Rolland (F) |
| 9. Peter Weiland (G) | 9. Bernard Thebault (F) | 9. Tom Bogs (D) | 9. Armando Pallarin (I) |
| 10. Giuseppe Miglier (I) | 10. Rene Golfarini (I) | 10. Luciano Lugli (I) | 10. Navarro Moreno (S) |

| WELTERWEIGHTS | LIGHT-WELTERS | LIGHTWEIGHTS | JUNIOR-LIGHTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Jean Josselin (F) | 1. Sandro Lopopolo (I) | 1. Borge Krogh (D) | 1. Jose Legra (S) |
| 3. Francois Paville (F) | 2. Willi Quatuor (G) | 2. Marcel Cerdan (F) | 2. Jan De Keers (B) |
| 2. Conny Rudhof (G) | 3. Juan Sombrita (S) | 3. Angel Robinson Garcia (F) | 3. Kid Tano (S) |
| 4. Stig Waltersson (Sw) | 4. Piero Brandi (I) | 4. Maurice Tavant (F) | 4. Luis Aisa (S) |
| 5. Carmelo Rossi (I) | 5. Olli Maki (Fn) | 5. Franco Brondi (I) | 5. Jacques Bottier (F) |
| 6. Carmelo Gancho (S) | 6. Aissa Hashas (F) | 6. Pedro Carrasco (S) | 6. Bruno Arcari (I) |
| 7. Domenico Tiberia (I) | 7. Jarmo Bergloef (Fn) | 7. Aldo Pravisani (I) | 7. Luigi Braccini (I) |
| 8. Andres Navarro (S) | 8. Mosimo Consolati (I) | 8. Rene Rogue (F) | 8. Vicente Ferrando (S) |
| 9. Aldo Battistutta (I) | 9. Bruno Arcari (I) | 9. Leon Zadourian (F) | 9. Angel Neches (S) |
| 10. Ciro Patronelli (I) | 10. Jose Luis Torcida (S) | 10. Vicenso Pitardi (I) | 10. Miguel Roman (S) |

| FEATHERWEIGHTS | BANTAMWEIGHTS | FLYWEIGHTS |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Yves Desmarets (F) | 1. Mimun Ben Ali (S) | 1. Rene Libeer (F) |
| 2. Andres Silanos (I) | 2. Tommaso Galli (F) | 2. Salvatore Burruni (I) |
| 3. Lino Mastellaro (I) | 3. Kamara Diop (F) | 3. Pierre Rossi (F) |
| 4. Lothar Abend (G) | 4. Pierre Vetraff (F) | 4. Antoine Porcel (F) |
| 5. Jesus Zarco (F) | 5. Nevio Carbi (I) | 5. Fernando Atzori (I) |
| 6. Michel Houdeau (M) | 6. Jan Persson (Sw) | 6. Paul Chervet (Sw) |
| 7. Carmelo Coscia (I) | 7. Jose Bisbal (S) | 7. Fritz Chervet (Sw) |
| 8. Roman Casel (S) | 8. Jean Parra (F) | 8. Etienne Giminez (F) |
| 9. Domenico Chilorio (I) | 9. Michel Lamore (F) | 9. Giuseppe Gali (I) |
| 10. Risto Luukkonen (Fn) | 10. Tony Sassarini (I) | 10. Vittorio Riccardi (I) |

*LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; L Luxembourg; S Spain; SD Switzerland; SW Sweden; Y Yugoslavia.*

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## FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
### *By Ray Mitchell*

**Sydney, Australia—Featherweights Adrian Taylor and Brian Levier turned in a terrific fight in their televised eight-rounder, with Taylor winning on points.**

▸ Middleweight prospect Steve Koutzoumis was off form and appeared lucky to gain a points verdict over Frank Roberts at the North Sydney Leagues Club.

▸ Ghanian lightweight Kimpo Amarfio stopped Aussie Johnny Fooks in the sixth round at Melbourne. Fooks, an aggressive little bullant, suited Amarfio, an experienced fighter. In the fifth round Amarfio decked Fooks but the game Queenslander kept on fighting, even though severely hammered. Referee Terry Reilly rescued him.

▸ New middleweight champion of Australia, Dimitri Michael, had a shock tossed into him at South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern. Slow-moving, hard-punching Don "Bronco" Jones decked him early and held him to a draw by referee Jimmy Carruthers' score card. Michael dropped Jones once, too, and a title fight could take place between the two. This one was a 10-round, non-title go.

▸ Lionel Rose is the new Australian bantamweight champion, as had been expected. At Melbourne, Rose fought like a champion to outpoint defending title-holder Noel Kunde over 15 rounds. Rose did more boxing than fighting in this one and lost just one round. Only 20 years of age, Lionel could really go places. He is being looked after by Jack Rennie.

▸ In the main support, over eight rounds, improving featherweight Bobby Daldy caused an upset by outpointing Adrian Taylor. The Queenslander, as usual, set up a good lead, but Daldy came on, decked Taylor in the sixth and finished well. Daldy is trained by former Australian middleweight champion Peter Read.

▸ Hard-punching lightweight Norm "Kid" Langford upset welter contender Graham Dicker in front of the television cameras. Langford, who holds the Australian junior-welter title, came in at 140. Dicker weighed 145.

Langford decked Dicker in the third, and when Graham got up, Langford swarmed all over him. Dicker fought back desperately but was dazed when referee Terry Reilly called a halt in the same round.

▸ Stepping into the ring on short notice in place of Roy Thurgar, Bobby Dunlop, leading contender for the Australian light-heavyweight title, outpointed heavyweight Young Stanko over ten rounds at Redfern. Dunlop, not in top condition, weighed in at 180; Stanko at 203.

## NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA, NOTES
### *By Sam Everett*

**Saint John—Dave Russell, 190, Uniondale, N.Y. and Leslie Borden 183, Montreal, hooked up in a bruising, 10 rounder featuring the six bout card at Lord Beaverbrook Rink.**

Throwing caution to the winds, the principals hammered away at each other. Russell took command in the early rounds. Borden came on and equalized matters in the middle stages only to have the American gamester rally in the closing rounds to cop the popular decision.

In the semi-final, Leo Noel, 136 Moncton N.B. displaying constant improvement, flattened Francis (Peanuts) Arseneault, Summerside P.E.I. lightweight at 1:28 of the second round for his 4th consecutive knockout.

Chatham N.B.—Rene Durelle, 172, Baie Ste. Anne N.B. resumed his climb up the fistic ladder by stopping Roy Wallace, Dorchester, Mass., lightheavy in one minute and 22 seconds of the first round. The outclassed American was floored three times by solid rights to the head, inducing the referee to signal the halt.

▸ **Summerside P.E.I.**—Boxing returned to the "Garden of the Gulf" when Lenny Sparks, Halifax N.S., the Canadian welter king and Toronto Ont. middleweight Jim Mieuller matched skills in an over-the-weight main event of 10 rounds. Mieuller continually outboxed, outfoxed and outmaneuvered the Nova Scotian.

In the semi, Leo Noel extended his war on the Arseneault brothers, kayoing local Don Arseneault 137, at 2:03 of the 7th in a scheduled eight rounder.

▸ **Chatham N.B.**—Rene Durelle, Baie Ste. Anne eked out a split decision over seasoned campaigner Bob Croxon, 182, Montreal over 10 rounds of hard-contested action. The North Shore battler maintained his aggressiveness over the entire route.

## BONAVENA TOPS A. JOHNSON IN ARGENTINE RING
### *By Simon Bromberg and Alfredo Porzio*

**Buenos Aires, Argentine—The big news from this part of the world is Oscar Bonavena's ten round decision over Amos Johnson; Carlos Canete'a eight round KO over Efren Jiminez, of Mexico; Eduardo Corletti's ten round decision over Roberto Veliz; and Jose Stable's ninth round knockout by Roman La Cruz, national welter leader.**

▸ **Rio Gallegos**—In a welter class contest, Alejandro Ulloa gained a points decision in 10 rounds over Ovidio Bravo.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In a thrilling lightweight bout, undefeated Hector Pace outpointed Juan C. Lima in 10.

▸ **Rosario**—Welter Oscar Barzola drew with Hector Cordoba, 10.

▸ **Tres Arroyos**—Undefeated middleweight José Chirino kayoed Nelson Rizzo in the fifth round.

▸ **Mar del Plata**—Enrique Jana, lightweight, outpointed Miguel Angel Coria in 10.

▸ **Rio Cuarto**—In the light division, Leandro Pereyra whipped Ricardo Lescano in 10.

▸ **Mar del Plata**—Argentine light-heavy champion Andres Selpa won by a T.K.O. in 6th over Nestor Peralta (brother of Gregorio Peralta).

▸ **Rosario**—In a bantam class bout, Rafael Souza outpointed Juan Pizarro in 10.

▸ **Bahia Blanca**—Good feather prospect Oscar "Cachin" Mendez whipped Ricardo Moreno, ex-Argentine bantam champion, in 10.

▸ **Córdoba**—Junior welter, undefeated Antonio Lima, kayoed Hilario Suarez in the second round.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the Luna Park ring, Carlos Aro, lightweight—gained the verdict in 10 over Carlos Gutierrez.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the welter class Jose Acha Paz whipped Oscar Barzola in 10.

▸ **Santa Fé**—Marcial Franco, bantamweight, won local title on points over Jorge Kehoe in 12.

▸ **Corrientes**—In the light class, Adan Gomez easily outpointed Juan Mario Diaz in 10.

▸ **Azul**—Coyo Peralta, light heavyweight, kayoed Rene Sosa, in the fifth round.

▸ **Mar del Plata**—Anibal Di Lella won local welterweight title by defeating Antonio Paez in 10. Junior welter Oscar Lucero outpointed Juan C. Lima in 10.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—Good prospect in the middle class, Osvaldo Mariño whipped Alberto Massi—10.

▸ **Tres Arroyos**—Ex-Argentine lightheavy champion Miguel Angel Paez lost on points in 10 rounds to Marcelo Garnica.

▸ **Rosario**—Hector "Cacho" Córdoba drew in 10 with Juan C. Perez.—They are welterweights.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In elimination for South American bantam title, Argentine champion Nelson Alarcón won by a T.K.O. in fifth round over Mario Figueroa, Chile champion.

## TORONTO BOXING NEWS
### *By Frank Allnutt*

**Toronto, Ont.—A full house witnessed the amateur show put on at the Lansdowne A.C.**

Wes Rowe (Brantford) def. Bill Ramsdale (Lansdowne A.C.), 3, 135 pounds. Ken Rowe (Brantford) def. Bruno Mahovlich (Lansdowne A.C.), 3, 120 pounds. Joe Hogan (Lansdowne A.C.) def. Peter Wylie (Toronto), 3, 147 pounds.

Bob Bozic (Lansdowne A.C.) scored a T.K.O. over John Mowat (Harmony Club) in two rounds, 155 pounds. Red Milne (Lansdowne A.C.) scored a T.K.O. over Pat Conn (Toronto A.C.) in two rounds, 175 pounds.

In the main event at 140 pounds Bill Kelly (Lansdowne A.C.) def. Brad Scott (Hamilton) over five rounds.

▸ The closed circuit showing of the Clay-Williams fight at the Maple Leaf Gardens failed to attract the fans here. It was the smallest crowd to attend in comparison to other shows in the past. Results of the amateur fights prior to the T.V. were as follows:

Jimmy Neill (Welland A.C.) won over Bernie Guindon (Oshawa A.C.) in five rounds. Welterweights.

Al Wildman (Toronto A.C.) K.O.ed Al Hogan (Lansdowne A.C.) in two. Welterweights.

John Thomas (Toronto A.C.) won over Tommy Wright (Garden City A.C.) three rounds. Lightweights.

Ray Morgan (Lansdowne A.C.) won over Martin Farkas (Toronto A.C.) in three rounds. Lightheavies.

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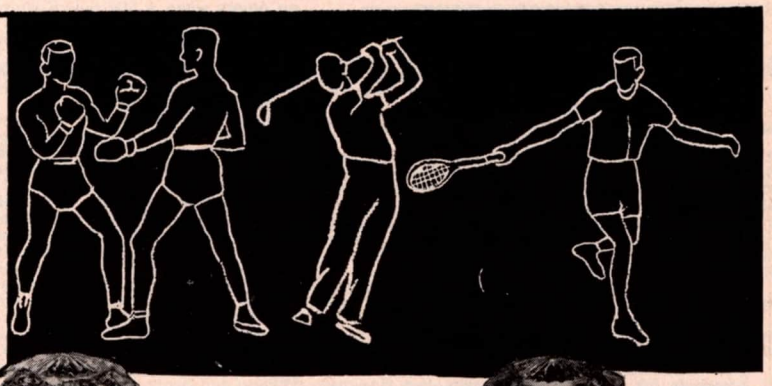

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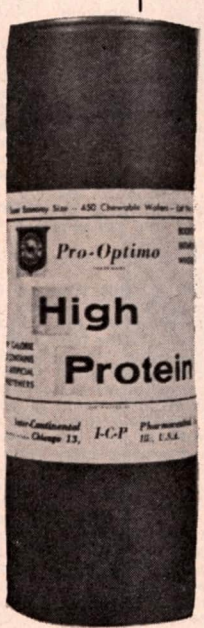


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# EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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Bruno Arcari beat Luigi Braccini the third man calling a halt in round six. In an eight round lightweight contest points were shared between Enrico Simoni and Sella Bukari.

▸ **At Genoa,** Welterweight Bruno Arcari scored an eight round victory over Quintino Soarez.

▸ **At Pavia,** Pietro Ziino, lightweight champion, and Giodana Campori both suffered eye injuries and the bout was declared 'No Contest' in round eight.

▸ **Persaro** saw Lightweight Bruno Melissano beat Giuseppe Enrico who retired in heat six. Welterweight, Bruno De Pace scored over Efrem Donati, who was disqualified in round five.

▸ **Lucca**—Heavyweight Jose Manzur outpointed Benito Penna over eight rounds. Lightweight Carmelo Coscia decisioned Sandro Shiavetta, 8.

▸ **Teramo** — Sandro Mazzinghi outpointed Tony Noriega over ten rounds. It looked as if the champion was in for a quick win when he dropped the American for 'eight' in round two. But Noriega got up to make it a colorful ten rounder.

Lightweight Franco Brondi, former European champion, outscored Quintino Soarez, 8.

▸ **Bologna**—Five thousand were at the Palazzo dello Sport to see Dante Cane dispose of Joseph Juvillier, from Luxembourg. A stiff right caught the visitor flush on the mouth in round five and caused a deep cut on the lip. The laceration became wider and bloodier giving the third man no alternative other than to send Juvillier to his corner. Previous time they met points were shared.

Bantamweight. Nevio Carbi scored an eight round victory over Umberto Maggi in a non title scrap.

▸ **Padva**—Welterweight Piero Brandi outpointed Vicente Ferrando, 8.

▸ **Sassari**—Bantamweight Salvator Burruni decisioned Spider Northey, 10.

▸ **La Spezia** — Bantamweight Antonio Sassarini forced Antoine Porcel to retire in three.

▸ **Naples** — Middleweight Mario Lanlagna outpointed Sylla Boultar, 8.

▸ **Milan**—Piero Tomasoni, Italy's top European heavyweight, shared points over ten rounds with American Billy Daniels, who replaced the sick Jose Angel Manzur. Floods restricted the attendance to 3,000.

## SPAIN

▸ **Gijon**—Featherweight Jose Legra forced Raul Tejera to retire in two.

▸ **Tarrasa**—Lightweight Francisco Penarubio koed Garcia Perez in the second. Welterweight J. Larroya decked Mohamed Halimi in the opening round.

▸ **Gijon**—Bantamweight Jose Arranz outpointed Angel Navacerrada, 8. Featherweight Mariano Medina beat Cristobal Gomez, 8.

▸ **Las Palmas** — Middleweight Pedro Votta outpointed Cesareo Barrera, 10.

▸ **Las Palmas**—Middleweight Sergio Santana beat Pedro Votta the referee stopping the bout in four.

▸ **Las Palmas**—Spanish welterweight champion Carmelo Garcia Gancho retained his crown outpointing Jose Maria Medrazo, over twelve. Featherweight Jose Dominguez scored over Celmiro Rios, who retired in heat seven.

▸ **Salamanca**—Welterweight Angel Guinaldo koed Jose Calderin in the second.

▸ **La Coruma** — Manuel Calvo became featherweight champion of Spain when the referee took the champion Ramon Casal out of the fight in round eleven.

▸ **Barcelona**—Lightweight M. Larrosa outscored Hassan Mekinez, 8.

▸ **Zargoza**—Featherweight Jose Legra beat Cristobal Gomez, the third man calling a halt in round two. Lightweight Valentin Loren outpointed Francisco Perez, 8.

▸ **Barcelona**—Ben Ali forced Benny Lee to retire in round five.

▸ **Las Palmas**—Juan Sombrita won the local welterweight crown by outpointing the champion, Carmelo Gancha, 12.

▸ **Bilbao**—Lightweight Jose Legra beat Roberto Marthon. Referee stopped the fight in second heat. Featherweight Luis Aisa decisioned Lope De Pablo, 10.

▸ **Gijon**—Middleweight Luis Folledo beat Pedro Votta who retired in round six.

▸ **Madrid**—Featherweight Tony Lopez outpointed Serafin Cardos, 8.

▸ **Rous**—Flyweight champion Manolin Alvarez fought a draw with Jose Robledo, 12.

▸ **Las Palmas**—Featherweight champion Manuel Calvo retained his title against Kid Tano, referee calling a halt in round eight.

## FRANCE

▸ **Strassbourg**—Welterweight Jean Josselin outpointed Lucien Fernandez, 10. Featherweight Kouider Meftah and Salvatore Gennatiempo finished all square, 10.

▸ **Caen** — French super welterweight champion Jean Rolland was too good for Mohamed Sahib. The towel was thrown in round eight.

▸ **Calais**—Kamara Diop outpointed Carl Taylor, 10.

▸ **Cannes**—Rene Rogue decisioned Leon Zadourian, 12.

▸ **Agen**—German Klaus Stockmann was in front on points when a low punch slumped him down in round six. The referee counted him 'out' and then disqualified his French opponent, Jacques Marty.

▸ **Toulouse**—Lightweight Jacques Kancellary won when Roger Younsi retired in round eleven.

▸ **PARIS**—The boxing season got off to a good start at the Sportpalast. American lightweight George Foster outpointed Ray Adigum with a piston like left over ten rounds. It was Foster's ninth professional start. Adigum was decked in rounds three and ten.

Jose Gonzales, France, superwelterweight, and Ernie Burford, USA, 31, shared points over ten frames. The first half of the battle went in favor of the local boy, then the American took command.

▸ **St. Quentin** — Cruiserweight Paul Roux decisioned Jean Tsikuna, 10.

▸ **Besancon** — Welterweight Jean Josselin outpointed Georges Fabbri, 10.

▸ **Villeurbanne**—Middleweight Jose Gonzales beat Jack Taruk, referee stopping the affair in round two.

▸ **Bordeaux** — Welterweight Jean Josselin beat Eduardo Battista, referee stopping fight in round nine.

▸ **Villeurbanne**—European lightweight champion Maurice Tavant had his hands full with Jose Africa and had to be content with half the points over ten hard rounds.

▸ **St. Breieue**—Welterweight Marcel Cerdan outpointed Georges Regneir, 8.

▸ **Orleans** — Welterweight Marcel Cerdan outpointed Jacques Sylvain, 8.

## HOLLAND

▸ **Rotterdam** — Welterweight Aad Jansen forced Fernand Banckaert to retire in round four.

▸ **Amsterdam**—Middleweight Harko Kokmeyer decisioned Daniel Leuiller, 8.

## SCANDINAVIA

▸ **Helsinki**—Six thousand saw Olli Maki outpoint Rafiu King over ten rounds. King stepped in for European champion Willi Quatuor, who had to call off his title defense against Maki because of an injured back.

▸ **Copenhagen** — A fourth Danish boxer was crowned European champion when school teacher 24 year-old Borge Krogh outpointed the lightweight champion, Maurice Tavant, of France, over 15 rounds. Aime Lechot, Switzerland, the referee, gave Krogh six rounds, Tavant two and the remainder even.

## GERMANY

▸ **Oldenburg**—Karl Furcht retained his lightweight title, drawing with Klaus Jacoby over twelve rounds. Lothar Abend, featherweight champion, koed Ray Devlees, Belgium, in the first round.

## AUSTRIA

▸ **Vienna**—Arthur Zelma became the local Super welterweight champion, beating Franz Koschina, who retired in the interval to round eleven with a broken thumb.

# THE BRITISH ISLES

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Ghanian away, he went back to his "Trombone" style to outjab his aggressive opponent.

George Bowes, Helsden, 127, punched too hard for Jackie Browne, Edinburgh, 123½, and after the latter had taken two counts in the second round, the referee wisely intervened.

Chuck Henderson, Co. Durham, 146, added Bob Sempey, Belfast, 148, to his 100% record of 18 wins. The bout was stopped in the second.

▸ **SOUTHEND.** . . . Johnny McKenna, Southend, 137, outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, 136, in a stirring eight. George Dulaire, Mile End, 182, stopped Jim McIlvaney, Birmingham, 184, in the fourth, when the latter received a bad cut over the eye.

Micky Brooks, Camberwill, 149, stopped Junior Lindo, Jamaica, 148, in the fourth.

▸ **ROYAL ALBERT HALL, LONDON.** . . . Billy Walker, West Ham, 193, made hard work of his ten rounder to win over Jose Menno, Argentine, 188. The bout was stopped within 75 secs. of the final bell. Walker was ahead on points when referee Bill Williams saw fit to put a closure on the brawl.

The only time that Menno looked unsafe was in the first, when he was put down for a count.

There was quite a shock in the Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 157¼, and Hugh Lynch, Brixton, 160, contest, when southpaw Lynch surprised everyone in winning on points in six.

Another upset, was that of Johnny Clark, Walworth, 118¾, who was held to a draw by Tommy Connor, Glasgow, 121½, in six.

Jimmy Tibbs, West Ham, 168½, outpointed Ernie Fields, Wakefield, 175, in a hard fought eight. Ralph Charles, West Ham, 145¾, stopped Sammy McSpadden, Fulham via Glasgow, 146¾, in the sixth when the referee intervened after The Scot had shot his bolt. McSpadden announced that he was retiring.

▸ Brian Curvis, British and Empire Welterweight Champion has announced that he has been advised by his doctor to give up boxing, owing to a serious tendon injury in his left ankle. Curvis has been matched to meet Curtis Cokes.

Curvis was also matched to meet Johnny Cooke for the title. The B.B.B.C. has named Brian McCaffrey to meet Cooke for the championship.

Curvis's announcement explains the B.B.B.C. refusal to back him in an elimination tourney for the welter championship of the world.

▸ **LIVERPOOL.** . . . The stadium long has been called "The Graveyard of Champions." Now promoters have been added to that score. Fewer than 500 paid to witness the heavyweight contest between Jack Bodell, Swanlincote, 202¼, and Sante Amonte, Italy, 193, which turned out to be as thrilling a contest one could wish to see.

Bidell, by his strong finish, earned Referee Wally Thom's decision.

Ron Gray, Walsall, 205, outpointed Vic Moore, Hammersmith, 190, in eight.

▸ Carl Taylor, Richmond, was outpointed by Kamara Diop, Calais, in a bantamweight ten at Calais, France.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.** . . . Eddie Avoth, Wales, 172, stopped Johnny Ould, Bermondsey, 175½, in the fourth. The referee intervened when it was seen that the latter was suffering from a closed eye.

Billy Attfield, East Ham, 138½, stopped Ernie Fenn, West Ham, 143¼, in the fifth.

▸ **WALWORTH.** . . . Tommy Gibbons, Mine Host of The Thomas A'Beckett, in the Old Kent Road, was rewarded with a capacity house when he staged the vacant Southern Area featherweight championship between Jimmy Anderson, Waltham Cross, 126, and Johnny Mantle, Battersea, 123½.

In the seventh Mantle suffered a damaged mouth, and referee Harry Gibbs wisely stopped the bout in favor of Anderson.

John Hendrickson, Battersea. 173, outpointed Tom Calderwood, Craigneuk, 169½, in eight.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, LONDON.** . . . Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 138, Northern Area lightweight champion, gained a narrow points win over Micky Laud, St. Ives, 138, in ten. . . . Al Keen, Islington via Scotland, 138, outpointed Manley Brown, Jamaica, 137, in eight.

▸ It is with profound regrett that I report the passing of an old and esteemed friend George Grant of Dundee, at 61.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.** . . . Pat Dwyer, Liverpool middleweight, 157¾, repeated over Panther Cyril, Nigeria, 156¾, when referee Bill Williams stopped the bout, during the seventh.

▸ **METROPOLE SPORTING CLUB, BRIGHTON.** . . . Reg Gullefer, Dagenham, 124, defeated George Bowes, Hesleden, 125, in the third. Referee Bill White, acted wisely in calling a halt, as Bowes had taken considerable punishment. It was Regs ninth professional win, which includes eight inside the distance.

▸ **SHOREDITCH.** . . . Alan Rudkin, 119½, outpointed Bob Allotey, Ghana, 119, in a ten round wrestling match.

Jimmy Tibbs, West Ham, 169½, outpunched Chris Cox, Exeter, 173¾.

▸ **CLARENDON SPORTING CLUB, HAMMERSMITH** . . . Vic Chandler, Bermondsey, clearly outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, in a lightweight eight. Joe Somerville, Berkhamstead, knocked out Tommy Lawrence, West Ham, in the third of a middleweight bout.

▸ **BRISTOL.** . . . Lloyd Walford, Chesterfield, outpointed Stan Cullis, Bristol, in eight. Ring-Trusty Cullis was having his first bout in over a year, and it was by a narrow margin that he failed to get on terms with Walford. They are cruiserweights.

Joe Bell, Jamaica, was also a narrow points winner over Gary Chippendale, Bristol, in a middleweight eight.

▸ **SOUTH STAFFS SPORTING CLUB WOLVERHAMPTON.** . . . Jack Bodell, The Swadlincote Farmer, had a quick win over The Italian, Giorgio Masteghin, 241¾, when he retired at the end of the first with a cut lip.

Roy Enifer, London, outpointed Ron Gray, Walsall, in a heavyweight eight.

▸ **ANGLO-AMERICAN SPORTING CLUB, LONDON.** . . . Harry Edwards, Birmingham, gained a points win over Ricky Porter, Hammersmith, in a hard fought welterweight eight rounder.

▸ **ANGLO-AMERICAN SPORTING CLUB, LONDON.** . . . Mark Rowe, Camberwell, made amends for his dismal professional debut, in which he was beaten by Southpaw Hugh Lynch. He took only 95 seconds of the first round to dispose of Chris Jobson, East Ham, in a middleweight bout. Referee Bill Williams intervened after Jobson had been decked for five from a left hook followed by a right to the jaw. He was in no position to defend himself.

Henry Cooper, British and Empire Champion, was Guest of Honor. He received a Silver Salvar. Presentation was made by Bombardier Billy Wells, who held the record for the longest British Championship reign of 7 years 303 days. The mark now goes to H. Cooper.

▸ **NOTTINGHAM.** . . . Wally Swift, Nottingham, Former British Welter and Middleweight Champion, was in devastating form against Freddie Thomas, Bermuda. Wally closed Freddie's eye so referee Austin O'Connor called a halt during the sixth of a middleweight contest. Liam Clarke, Birmingham, stopped Micky Laud, St. Ives, in the fourth of a lightweight battle.

## FIGHTING HARADA RESOLVES TO STICK TO BANTAMWEIGHTS

*By Joe Y. Koizumi*

**Osaka, Japan;—Fighting Harada, world bantamweight champion, had better abandon the hope of invading the heavier featherweight division. This correction came from his severe reduction of weight for a fight.**

It was shown to be excessive. He admitted it in a national broadcast. Harada defeated Antonio Herrera, of Colombia with an unpopular unanimous decision in a hot 12 round non-title battle.

The contest, ballyhooed as a preparation for a try at Vicente Saldivar's feather laurels, drew a packed house of 8,000 at Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium. The Japanese entered the ring at 124¾, giving away half a pound to Herrera.

The first import here from Colombia displayed good boxing technique. But he was power-lacking except in the third round, when he turned aggressive with his vaunted right uppercuts and almost sank the Japanese favorite.

Harada continued pressing action. Near the end of the fourth Harada sent a terrific right hook to the shoulder, dropping the Colombian for the compulsory eight. The Japanese was bothered by Herrera's longer reach and greater height, but he had the edge at the final bell.

Referee Nick Pope, a U.S. Department of Army civilian worker, saw the close fight 58-56, and judges Ryoji Kashiwagi and Nobumitsu Inukai scored it 58-54 and 59-53, respectively.

It was the most spectacular attraction in Osaka since the world flyweight title affair between Pascual Perez and Sadao Yaoita in 1959.

▸ Fujio Mikami, 135½, Japan's lightweight ruler, outpunched tricky and rough Chun-Kyo Shin, 135¾, of South Korea, at Tokyo in a dull ten. The fight, featuring dirty tactics by both men, was an elimination of the Oriental Boxing Federation for the vacant Orient lightweight crown. The winner is scheduled to meet another eliminated Filipino, Pedro Adigue.

▸ Undefeated Kiyoshi Tanabe, 111¾, barely defended his Japanese flyweight championship with a disputed draw with slugger Yuzo Narumi, 111½, in a hard-fought 10 at Korakuen Hall. It was Tanabe's toughest contest and the first draw in his unblemished career. Narumi was not a Fancy Dan like Tanabe, but his rugged fighting harassed the champ. All the officials tabbed it a draw, 47-47.

The referee was blamed by newspapers for the fact that, when Narumi floored the champ in the first round, he took it for a slip and failed to count. Without this Narumi, at 21, would be a new title-holder.

▸ Nakao Sasazaki, 151, scored an unpopular split decision over Yoshiaki Akasaka, 151¾, in 10 rounds at Oita City. In the semi-final Norishi Matsuo was held to a draw by Masaaki Sato, in 8.

▸ Southpaw Katsuyoshi Takayama, 114¾, got a unanimous verdict over Toshinobu Tsukamoto, 113¾, in an uninteresting 10 at Nagoya.

▸ Hiroshi Shoji, 133¼, decisioned Larry Flaviano, 133¾, of the Philippines at Shizuoka, in 10.

▸ A double event was the attraction at Iyomishima, Ehime Prefecture. Tamiyoshi Taniguchi, 140¼, 1965 Shinjin-o winner, lost a close one to Jerry Cobrapete, 145½, of U.S. Far-East Air Force, in 8. Former national bantamweight champ Akashi Namekawam 117, was too fast and strong for Yoshio Kimura, 117, copping a unanimous verdict in 8.

▸ At Tokyo, Hajime Taroura, 122, national junior featherweight boss, and Toyoharu Mizuta, 122, fought to a disputed draw in 10. Taroura made his fifth successful title defense.

In the semi-final eight, Atsushi Gunji halted hitherto undefeated Kuniaki Shibata, current junior featherweight Shinji-o winner, in 6.

▸ Fumio Kaizu, 156¾, easily retained the national middleweight crown with a one-sided decision over Muneo Mizoguchi, 157, national junior middleweight ruler, in a 10 round brawl at Okayama. The sell-out crowd was well-entertained with two hot eight round supporting events. Bantamweight Katsuhiro Harada, brother of Fighting Harada, knocked out Tadahiko Tsushima in 6. Younger Harada began a quick climb to the top by a string of victories since gaining the Shinjin-o crown. Flyweight Akihide Tamaoka stopped Junichi Ohtsuka in 6.

▸ Oriental junior lightweight king Yoshiaki Numata won a split 12 round decision over Del Rosario Kid, Philippines, to retain his crown at Korakuen Hall. The Filipino had upset Numata in a non-title bout in August, and the rematch was for the Orient championship. The Japanese won all the way.

▸ Undefeated Koji Okano, 134¾, continued his winning streak by stopping South Korean Chun-Kyo Shin, 135, in the ninth round at Tokyo. It was Okano's 20th win, and 14th kayo, against one draw.

Featherweight Toshimasa Hasegawa whipped Shozo Nishishiro in the semi-final eight.

Paul Takeshi Fujii, 142, Orient and Japanese junior welterweight ruler, scored his fifth consecutive kayo victory, stopping Filipino Larry Flaviano, 140¼, in the second round at Korakuen Hall.

The capacity turnout expected Fujii to stop Flaviano in an early round. Paul plastered the body with vicious rights.

▸ Kunio Yoshida, 147¼, and Fel Pedranza, 147¼, Filipino welterweight leader, fought a fierce 10 rounder brawl to a disputed draw at Korakuen Hall. The fans were pleased by the cleverness and speed of Yoshida, who continually rallied aggressively.

▸ Hisao Minami, 147¾, defeated Hidenori Tanaka, 147¼, by a split nod at Korakuen Hall in 10.

▸ Kang-Il Suh, South Korea, was too clever and fast for Yuji Amashima, newly crowned national junior lightweight kingpin, winning a unanimous nod in 10 rounds at Shimonoseki.

▸ Hiroshi Kobayashi, 124½, kept his national featherweight crown with a close but unanimous duke over Sumio Nobata, 124½, in a bruising 10 at Tokoname City. Southpaw Nobata fought courageously but was no match for the champion. Kobayashi won the sixth defense since annexing the title from Yuji Masuko.

▸ Seoul, Korea, saw Tasuo Sato knocked out by Korean Ki-Soo Kim, Oriental middleweight champion, with vicious body blows in the fourth round of a scheduled non-title tenner.

## SOUTH AFRICAN SCENE

*By Simon Brooke*

**Springs—Anthony Morodi, 122¾, won the Transvaal featherweight title when he outpointed Mohamed Patel, 125½, in a bloody 10-rounder. Stepping in as a sub for Enoch Nhlapo, Kid Manguli was unlucky to drop a close decision in six to Jerry Mangwane.**

In the semi-final, Pat Toweel pulled an upset in wining the Transvaal welter title from Blackie Zwart by a k.o. in the eighth.

It was a good night for the Toweel clan. Johnny, 137, beat Rudy Osthuyse on points in four.

Our new heavyweight hope, Giuseppe Della Torre, 230, made his pro debut when he outpointed Steve Lewis, 180½, in four.

▸ **Durban**—Zulu Mahlarbathi, 147, defeated Malkeed Mofokeng, 144, in 8 and now will meet Joe Ngidi for the welter title.

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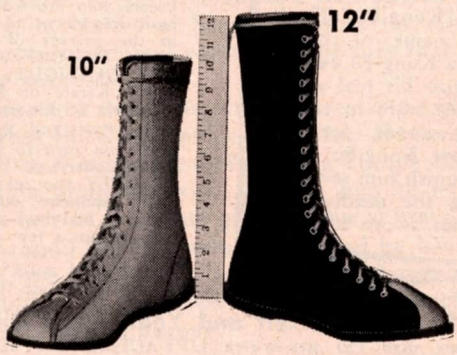


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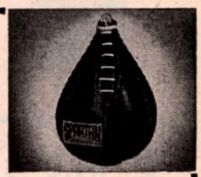

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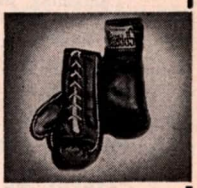

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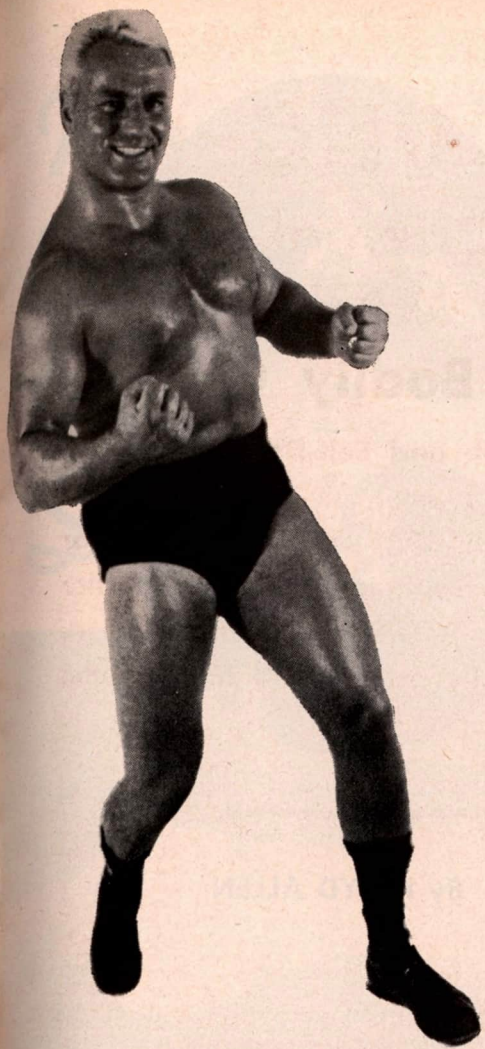
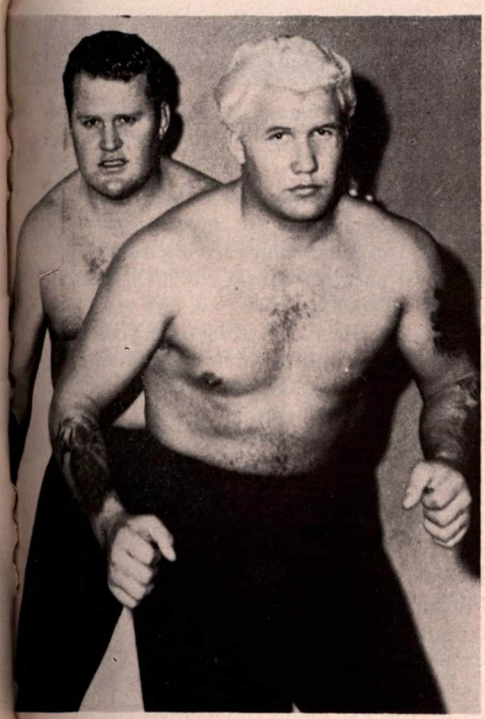
# Wuxtraw! Real Case of Softie Turned Villain!

By PAT LANGER



Chris Markoff, a native of Yugoslavia, is one of those wrestlers who turned from being a softie to a villain after coming to the U.S. He's been undefeated ever since. His mentors can be seen below.



Larry Hennig (left) and Harley Race were the duo that Markoff came to for lessons. After a month of training, Hennig and Race had instilled their methods in Chris.

MANKATO, Minn.:—Professional wrestling fans all over the U.S. are tired of two things—the multiplicity of "world champions," and the overuse of the designation "villain."

The fact is that there are no softies in wrestling. However, there was a stick-to-the-rules guy until recently in Chris Markoff. There is one genuine case of a softie gone rough and tough.

When Markoff came to America about a year ago, it was the fulfilment of a life long dream. Native of Scople, Yugoslavia, Chris had been the European Champion for several years. He felt sure that he would be able to continue these successes here.

In Europe, Chris stuck strictly to scientic wrestling and was good enough to beat the best that the Continent could offer. However, when he came to the United States, things were different. In Europe Chris had been able to beat rough style grapplers with science, but he had never been up against any of the tactics American giants threw at him.

Then Chris changed his ring personality, and he has been undefeated since that time. Chris explained, "I was tired of being pushed around by men I knew I could beat. They won because they punched and kicked. I had to retaliate or return to Europe."

Markoff went to two of the roughest in the business, Larry Hennig and Handsome Harley Race, and asked them to teach him their style of wrestling. After only a month of training, Chris was using their methods.

Hennig and Race, the A.W.A. Tag leaders, made him a rougher grappler then he had ever thought anyone could be when he was in Europe. Chris also changed his hair from brown to blond and this all seemed to have a magic effect on him.

Markoff, Hennig and Race claimed the 3-man World Tag Championship but were upset by The Crusher, Verne Gagne and Kenny Jay. Chris, Larry and Harley have a special dislike for The Crusher because he has given them a nickname that has caught on with the fans, the Dolly Sisters. Crusher's individual names for them are Gertrude Hennig, Sylvia Race, and Christine Markoff.

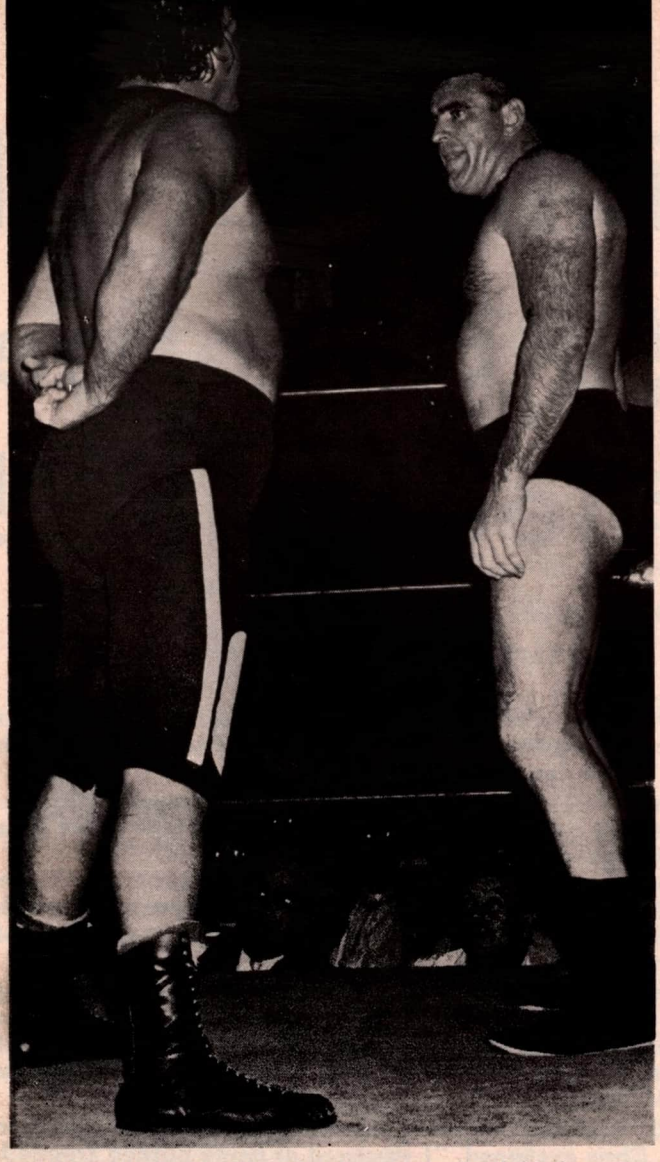
Chris is one of the best educated of today's wrestlers. He speaks several languages.

Chris is making more money as a contender in the United States than he did as champion in Europe. At 27, he is at a very high point of his career, and appears to be going higher. He is a bachelor. Or rather, he was when this was written.

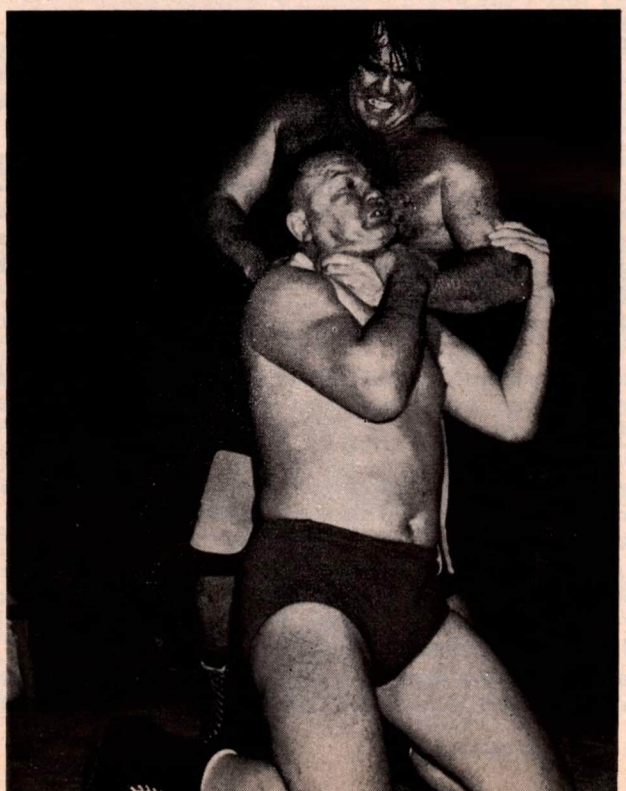
"When I came to the United States and saw a few matches involving leading wrestlers, I said to myself, 'This is a soft pitch. The orthodox style should beat this rough and tumble stuff with ease.'

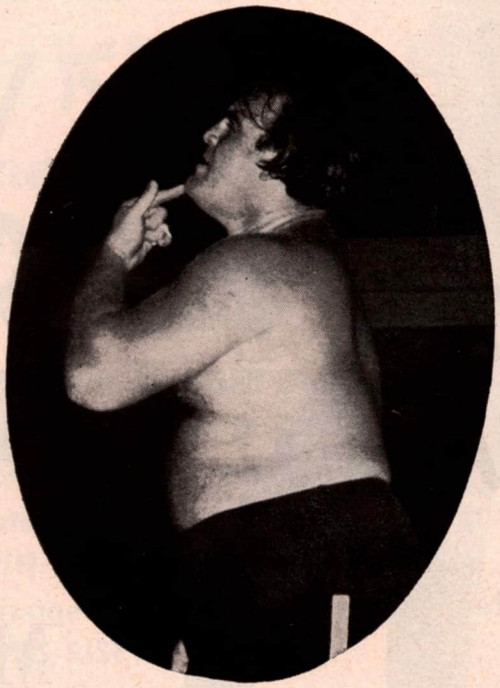
"Then I got into the ring with some of those toughies who looked fat and slow, got my eyes gouged out, got kicked in the face and in the stomach, got cut up and full of aches and pains, I realized that the stuff I had been successful with on the other side would get me nowhere here.

"I appreciate now that the American style has more life, more attraction for the fans, and calls for many more skills than the Continental style."



(Above) Rocky Hamilton, the Missouri Mauler (left), dares Don Curtis to give him a good wallop on the chops. Curtis stares back in anticipation of the opportunity. Below we see Rocky in the act of choking Gene Kiniski, for which dastardly act Hamilton was disqualified by the referee.





The strong-jawed Hamilton points to his chin just daring his opponent to hit him as hard as he could.

## By FLOYD ALLEN

ASK Rocky Hamilton who our nation's greatest president was and he won't bat an eye before he replies: "Harry Truman."

Ask Rocky why he favors the genial, piano-playing elder statesman and he'll reply, "Because he's from Missouri. Anybody—or anything—that comes from Missouri has got to be the best!"

Here, you might think, is a man so enamored of his home state that he might never set foot outside its rolling hills and grassy plains. Guess again.

"The Missouri Mauler," as this 260-pound behemoth prefers to be called, spends most of his time wrestling outside the "show-me" state.

Hamilton has a deceptively friendly appearance, his massive chest and shoulders notwithstanding. He appears like a big, friendly chap of the sort you might find carrying sides of beef on his shoulders in a meat packing plant. Only his size betrays the fact he is a wrestler. Provided you don't ask him to evaluate an opponent, the Mauler can discuss wrestling or any other subject in a calm, rational manner. But get him in a ring, or bring up the name of a wrestler he doesn't like, and you'll see a sudden change take place in this outwardly cordial chap.

When talking to a man like Rocky Hamilton, one is tempted to stick to subjects like St. Louis, Kansas City and (best of all in the Mauler's book) St. Joseph. You just can't get Rocky mad as long as you let him lecture you on Missouri. And, who wants to get him mad, anyway?

"A lot of people make jokes about the mules we have back home," he related during one of his "Missouri messages." One does not interrupt, even when the subject strays from wrestling.

"To a feller like me who was raised in the country, a Missouri mule is as fine and intelligent an animal as you can find anywhere. You can talk all you like about chimpanzees and horses and the like, but there ain't no smarter animal on the face of the earth than a Missouri mule. To me, comparin' a horse to a

# Missouri Mauler Out To Show 'Em

**Shouting, "You shut up," to a rather vitriolic fan who had been riding him, Rocky makes some threatening gestures in the spectator's direction.**

Missouri mule is just about like comparin' tiddley-winks to wrestling!

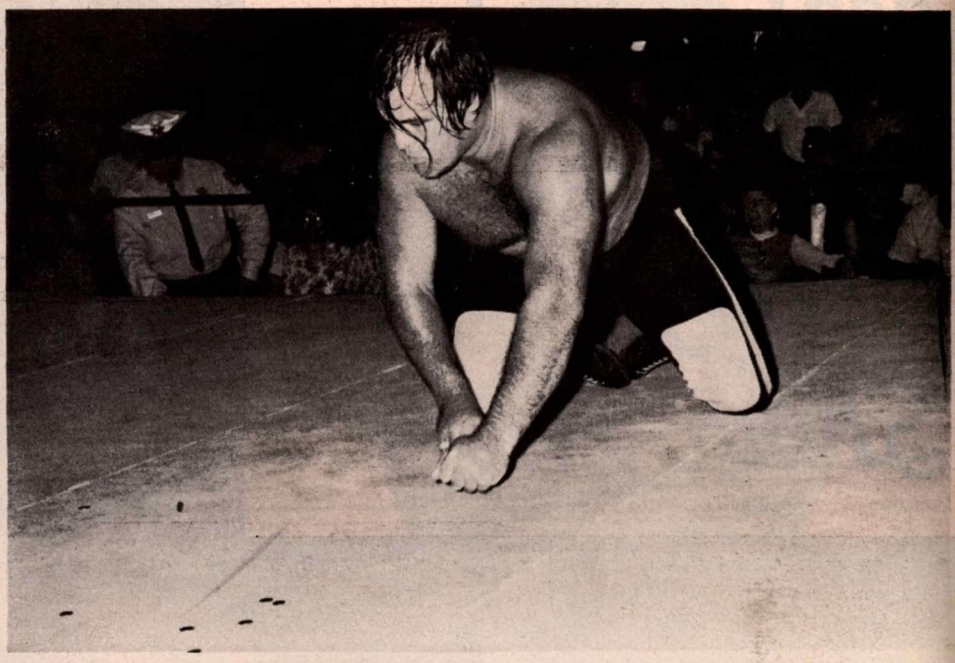
"What sets wrestling apart from other sports," Rocky persisted, "is 'strategy'. In boxing, it's how good you can punch. In football, one man figures the 'strategy' for the whole team. But in wrestling every man has to be his own quarterback. A lot of people say that I get by on being big. Some even say that I wrestle dirty. Well, mister, I got news for them. I happen to be a very scientific wrestler. It's what's up here," he said, pointing to his cranium, "that makes me an outstanding wrestler."

"I guess you know that I am the uncrowned heavyweight champion of the world," Hamilton continued. For the edification of the uninitiated, professional wrestling has many such "uncrowned champions." The Mauler's contention arises from the fact he was disqualified during the deciding fall of a match with Gene Kiniski. His account of what took place is interesting, if somewhat one-sided.

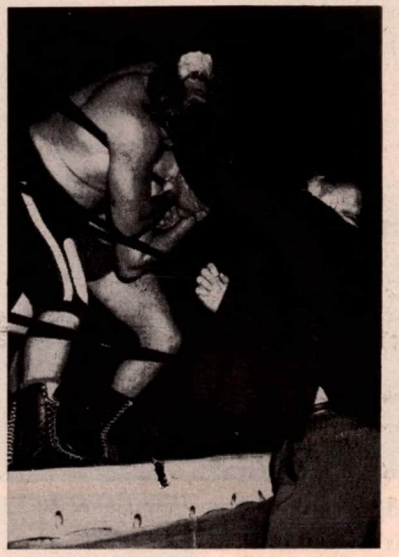
"This Gene Kiniski," he raved, "this so-called champion, is supposed to be tough. He wasn't so tough when I got ahold of him, though. He tried some dirty tricks, but it didn't do him any good, because I can get rough, too, when somebody like him pushes me too far. I had him so beat that he wanted to quit when Don Curtis jumped me from behind. Next thing I know, the referee's raisin' Kiniski's hand. He told me I was disqualified. Can you imagine that? Me gettin' disqualified for that cowardly sneak attack that Don Curtis pulled on me? I don't mind tellin' you that I got even with that Mr. Curtis for what he did that night, yes sir! They beat me out of the money I had comin' and they beat me out of the title, but don't think I didn't even the score before I was through!"

What actually happened began some weeks before the match in which Rocky was disqualified for choking Gene Kiniski outside the ring. The Mauler and Don Curtis had been signed to a winner-take-all main event, the result of which was a "no-contest" ruling. The purse was subsequently held up and applied to a re-match, which was to be fought inside a steel cage. When the Mauler threw Curtis out of the ring, then attempted to decapitate him by picking up the heavy steel structure and setting it down on Don's throat, the promoter again confiscated the proceeds. "This," he contended, "was in no sense of the word, wrestling." He ruled that the money for this and the previous match would go to the winner of a specially regulated rubber match. "Somebody's going to win this one fair and square," the promoter promised. "Any violation will cost the

Don Curtis was nearly put out of action for good as Hamilton picked up the steel cage and set it down on his unfortunate opponent.



Hamilton crawls around the ring picking up money thrown by the fans for him after being disqualified in the match with Curtis.



That's NWA champion Gene Kiniski trying to prevent Hamilton from choking Curtis after the match was officially over.

guilty party a fall. There'll be no warnings and no nonsense—I aim to see this money go to the man who's the best wrestler!"

When the Mauler got around to wrestle Don Curtis again, this time under the stipulation that the slightest infraction of the rules would bring disqualification, nobody gave the big man from Missouri a chance.

The Missouri Mauler used his forty-pound weight advantage whenever the two got on the ropes. He sort of leaned on Curtis, throwing the smaller man off balance when they broke at the referee's instruction. This put Don at a disadvantage, for the Mauler would rush him right after the break was made, in an attempt to catch him before he regained his balance. As Don's impatience with this tactic increased, the Mauler tried something new. He placed his hands behind his back, stuck out his chin and dared Curtis to hit him. Don didn't take the bait, although it was evident that he would have enjoyed planting a fist on Hamilton's granite jaw. Instead, Curtis stayed away from the ropes, played it cagy and finally pinned the Mauler for the first fall.

By now the Missouri Mauler was worried enough that he was willing to take a few chances. During the second fall, Rocky tried a little trunk-tugging and an occasional thumb in the eye. Of course, he did this only when the referee couldn't see what was going on. It did the trick. Curtis got mad and clobbered his man, whereupon the referee said, "That, Mr. Curtis, will cost you the fall!"

During the third fall, Don Curtis employed a little "strategy" of his own. He went the strictly defensive route, crouching on his knees and elbows, thus luring the Mauler to the mat, where Don was more at home. A fast sit-out would then have Don in control of his powerful but awkward adversary. It didn't take Hamilton long to tire of this routine! Finally, Curtis hit the mat in the traditional defensive position and got what he'd been expecting: a kick in the ribs. Another followed, and another. The referee was shouting for the Mauler to desist, but blood had replaced the dollar signs in the big Missourian's eys.

The Missouri Mauler was disqualified for his intemperate indulgence in shoe leather, so he forfeited his share of the proceeds for the match—and the purses from two previous encounters as well. He did not, however, go home empty-handed.

"What happened that night restored my faith in people," Rocky insists. "I wrestled fair and square, just like I always do, but I was disqualified anyway. But the people who were there that night knew what kind of injustice was takin' place right before their eyes. They knew that I needed that money, that I'd earned it and that I had a right to it. They weren't about to see me go home empty-handed! They gave me money. They crowded around that ring and handed me money and threw it toward me. I didn't want to take it, because these folks had paid to get in; they didn't owe me nothin'—it wasn't them that cheated me! But they wouldn't let me get out of the ring until I took the money they offered me."

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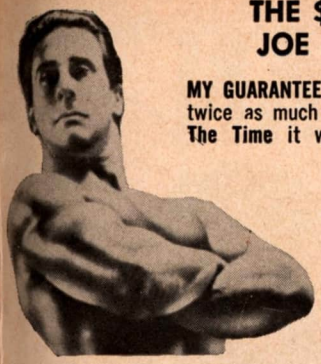

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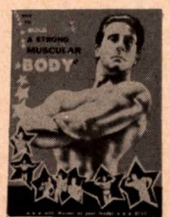


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Holder of Title, "World's Most Perfectly Developed Man"

## YOU'LL BEGIN TO SEE HIM IN JUST 7 DAYS...

### Just Check the Kind of Body You Want In the Coupon —And I'll Show You How Easily You Can Have It!

WHEN YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR do you feel proud of yourself" Or does it reflect the kind of picture you'd rather "keep to yourself"? Well, I promise you'll be mighty pleased with the brand-new HE-MAN body I can put in that mirror for you. And you'll begin to see this new "you" in no time flat—JUST 7 DAYS. If I'm wrong, you pay me absolutely nothing. Best of all, I need *only 15 minutes a day* to do this for you!

**TROPHY GIVEN AWAY**
Win this handsome Trophy over 1½ ft. high!

### I Turn "Sad Sacks" into Fine Physical Specimens

I don't give a hoot how puny and underdeveloped you are now. I can pack a whole blast-furnace of vigor and vitality into that physique of yours. I'll build up your body where it ought to be built up—give you handsome, brawny arms and shoulders, a chest of rippling muscle, legs that almost burst with power and energy.

Just check the kind of body you want—right in the coupon below—and I'll show how easily and quickly you can have it!

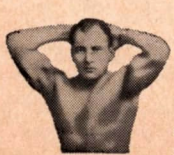
I'll chip every pound of flabby flesh from your waist and stomach. I'll tone up your system, straighten your back, give you a proud ram-rod "West Point" posture. The handsome new body I give you will show right through your clothes. Finally, I'll help you to a warmer, more confident personality to go with your new physique.

### My Proven Method: DYNAMIC-TENSION!

I'll do all this for you with my own exclusive method, "Dynamic-Tension." It's the identical method that changed me from a scrawny, 97-pound weakling into "The World's Most Perfectly Developed Man" . . . the system that's already built husky, strapping bodies for many thousands of others like yourself. No one else can offer you this method. No equipment for you to buy—no barbells or other apparatus. All you need is the potential powerhouse of energy that's in your body RIGHT NOW. And all I need is 15 minutes of your time a day!

My famous system is *the same one* which many great athletes use for keeping in condition—for boxing, wrestling, baseball, football, and other sports.

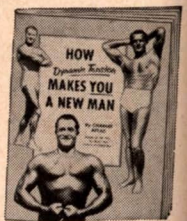
### Here Are Two of The Thousands Who Have Become HE-MEN My Way:



**Proud of His Build Now.** Gained 20 pounds. "My whole upper trunk is now in proportion to the rest of my body. I'm really proud of my body, thanks to you."—P.V., Va.

**Now Ten Times Stronger and Healthier!** "I am grateful for the wonderful improvements you have worked on me. Your course has reformed my soft flesh into solid, power-packed muscles."—E. W. Donovan, New Orleans, La.

### FREE—My Valuable Illustrated 32-Page Book
### Not $1.00 . . Not 10¢ . . but FREE!




Mail the coupon now for your FREE copy of my valuable 32-page book. Also check the kind of body you want right in the coupon. My book tells how you can get it, **fast.** See how I can give you "Stand-Out" muscles **where** you want them; add inches to your chest and shoulders: make your legs and arms bulge with power. Read how "Dynamic-Tension" can make you a new man — confident, popular, successful.

See pages of actual photos of men who have become "Atlas Champions" my way. Read the answers to vital questions about your health, your personality, your future. Rush the coupon to me personally. **CHARLES ATLAS, Dept. 802, 115 East 23rd St., New York, N. Y. 10010.** My address in England is: Atlas, Chitty St., London, W.1.

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*Dear Charles Atlas: Here's the kind of Body I Want:*

*(Check as many as you like)*

- ☐ Broader Chest and Shoulders
- ☐ More Powerful Arms and Grip
- ☐ More Weight—Solid in the Right Places
- ☐ Slimmer Waist and Hips
- ☐ More Powerful Leg Muscles
- ☐ Better Sleep, More Energy

Send me absolutely FREE a copy of your famous book showing how "Dynamic-Tension" can make me a new man. 32 Pages crammed with photographs, answers to vital health questions, and valuable advice. I understand this book is mine to keep and sending for it does not obligate me in any way.

Name..... Age.....
(Please print or write plainly)

Address .....

City & State..... Zip Code.....

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